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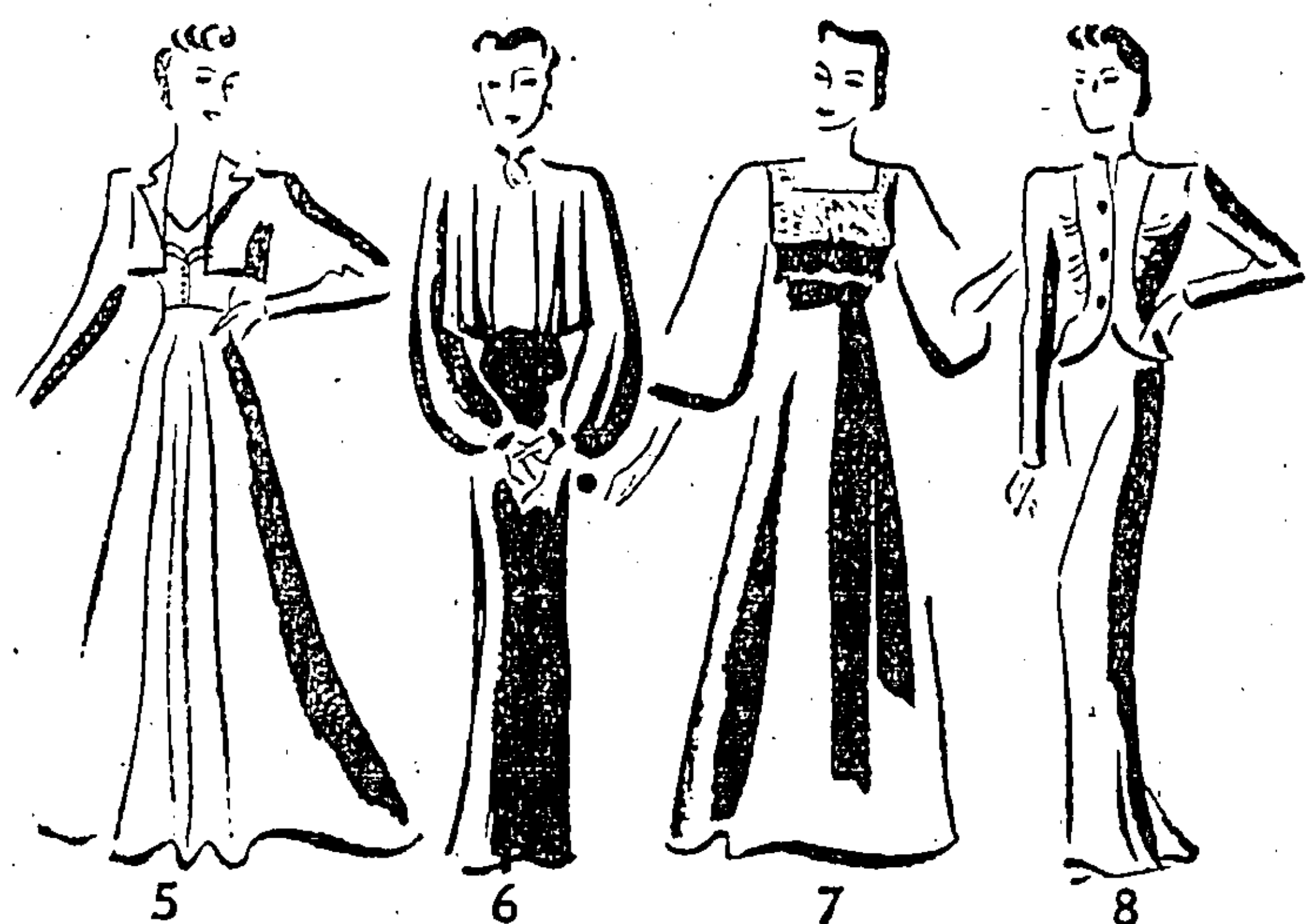
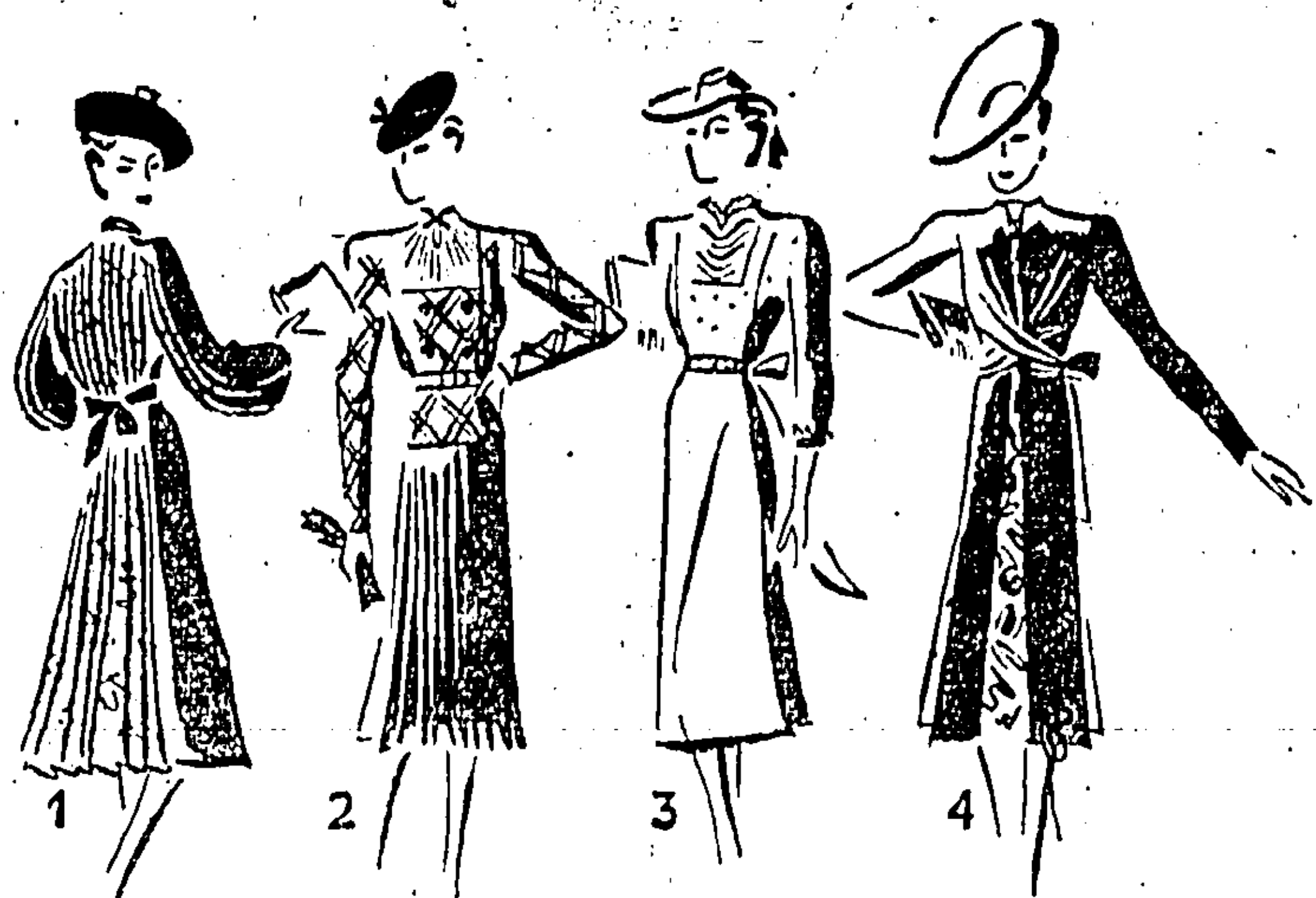
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After Lunch 1938

afternoons



GENERAL trend: Elegance, fluid skirts, fitted tops. A lot of movement when you walk. Not quite a fro-frou, but you wait. Note typical lines for afternoon and evening from the sketches:

1. Bl-coloured dresses — printed in front; or vice versa. Or just two colours, one for the front elevation and one for the back. In the Rochas example the front is black wool, the back silk crepe.

2. This little Goupy outfit illustrates several fashion points: the vestee effect—plaid surah jacket cut low in front over the net dress; the transparent look both at the hem and neckline; and, of course, pleats.

3. Apron-effects are new, either as wrapped fronts or a complete copy of cook's apron; like the printed dress sketched. Push this fashion a little further and you get the pinafore dresses of dark crepe over orange or broderie blouses.

4. The redingote—among all the afternoon coat variations, with and without pleats, fullness in the bodice, draped sleeves, cape backs, toga fronts. Vera Bora's wrap-over moulded redingote with front fullness emerges as one of the simplest and loveliest lines to follow.

dinners

5. The bolero outline which appears everywhere (particularly for turning full evening dresses into dinner frocks) gives a particularly new outline when worn over a deep corselet belt. In the sketch both bolero and belt are of fine scarlet felt over a summer evening dress of sea blue linen.

6. Dramatic line at Piguet's; a violet blue, low-cut evening dress turns into a vivid dinner two-piece with its hugely full satin over-bolero, almost the line of a ski-ing jacket, one of the newest things out of the collections.

7. A chateleine dress. Developed from the cosy informal entertaining that is part of modern life, several designers show serene lady-like dresses for dinner at home or week-end evenings. This one of heavy dark crepe shows a peasant influence, with soft gathered skirt, white lace bolero too.

8. Dinner suits have been so useful they won't go out of fashion for a bit. Over a slim black skirt Creed puts a butter yellow dirce-toire jacket of ribbed silk. Other designers make printed dinner-jackets cut in the Chinese manner from hand-embroidered satin.

parties

9. Having remarked about the dress top in an earlier report, we think Loring's way is the prettiest; a sugar pink satin corselet laced up over a white net dress with sugar pink pipings and bows. Other developments are the blue satin corselet top reaching from décolletage to hip; and the long jumper top with full lampshade skirt gathered on at a low hipline.

10. There's nothing so good as being a Greek statue all in white crepe pleats with golden bay-leaves at the waist. Such dresses (this one is Germaine Bailey's) get all the claps, and so do the draped ones by Alix, simple yet complex as the Elgin marbles. Yes Going Greek is still smart.

11. The line that seems most popular, taking it all round, is the simple fitted top with skirt fullness flowing from the waist, disguising the hips. Here it is, shown in most glamorous and dramatic form by Chanel, fixed up with spangles and head-veil. But it persists in printed chiffon and crepe dresses, in little black numbers, in every sort of fabric and colour combination, mostly transparent over a slender slip. It remains the easiest and at the same time most flattering design for most figures.

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Beautify Your Ankles

NOW that skirts have become shorter, ankles are in the limelight more than ever, so it is a wise plan to pay attention to your ankles.

Don't weaken them by running downstairs, by too much walking or by the wrong kind of shoes. You will need to have strong ankles if you are to enjoy the evening of life.

See that your shoes fit the ankle as well as the foot itself; so many people forget this very important point when choosing new shoes.

Again, a few exercises every morning help to strengthen one of the most complicated of the human joints. Stretch the legs in front of you and move the feet fairly slowly first to the right and then to the left. Do this at least a dozen times every morning.

With regard to appearance, you will find that most people look first at another person's ankles, so see that your stockings fit well round the ankles, and be careful that you do not get them too badly splattered in muddy weather.

Exaggerated markings on your stockings draw attention to your ankles and do not help very much to produce an optical illusion if the joints are not all that you desire.

Finally, rub cold cream into your ankles occasionally, and never plunge them into water that is too hot.

Take care of your ankles, for they are the "crowning glory" of your feet!

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Good Cooking

By Ambrose Heath

HARICOT BEANS

IT is sometimes interesting to see how different countries treat the same foodstuff, and here are three illustrations from France, Italy and America.

Maitre d'hotel

Soak the beans for two hours in warm water. Put them into a saucepan (earthenware if possible) and cover them with plenty of fresh warm water. Remove the pan from the fire and leave it for an hour. The beans should by then be nicely swollen; drain them, throw away the water and put them in the pan, this time with boiling salted water, adding an onion stuck with a clove, a carrot, and a bouquet of parsley, thyme and bayleaf. Put on the lid and boil very gently for an hour and a half. Drain them, "dry" them on a hot fire, mix in three ounces of fresh butter for every pound of beans, season with salt and pepper, squeeze over a little lemon juice and sprinkle over some chopped parsley.

Alla Romana

Having soaked the beans, cook them in salted water only and drain them well. Fry three coarsely minced anchovies rubbed through a sieve, pepper and grated nutmeg, and a little stock. Cook all together until the beans have absorbed the liquid, then squeeze over them the juice of a lemon and serve very hot.

Boiled (American style)

Soak, drain and cook the beans in boiling salted water. Cook with them a ham bone or small pieces of salt pork, sausages or bacon. When serving, lay the meat on top of the beans.

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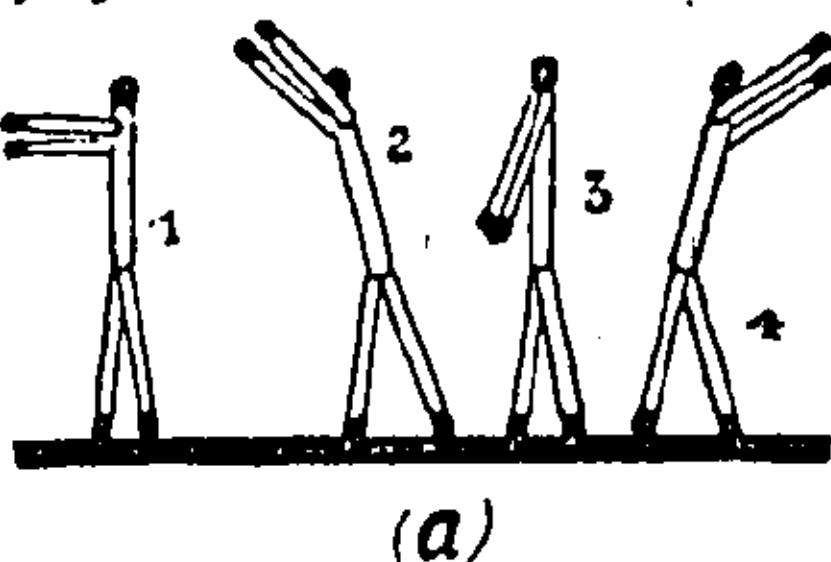
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Bring the arms down with a flourish, and swing them up and over to the left side, turning from the waist once more. Repeat twenty times.

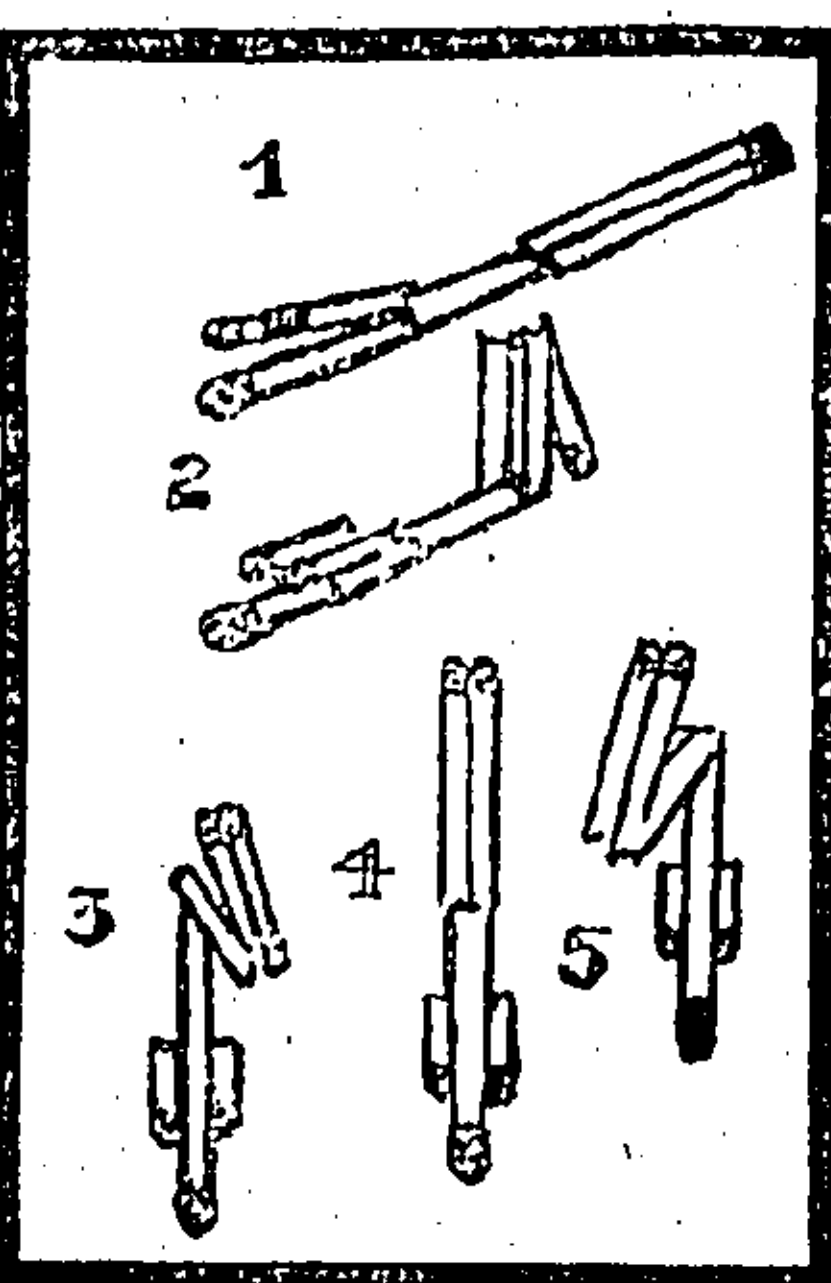
(b) Take a position lying on the floor, elbows tucked in at your sides, hands at shoulder-level.

Raise the knees, keeping feet together on the floor. Turn the knees on to the right side, and bring them up under the right armpit. Lower, slowly, stretch and straighten knees as your feet reach central position, curl up knees again and turn over to left side, bringing them up to left armpit. Repeat twenty times. You will be amazed at the effect on the waistline.

Now massage. While lying on the back, place hands at centre front on the ribs and draw across to each side. Lift the hands away and begin again, pressing deeply. Always before a meal or one and a half hours afterwards.

Better still, while the skin is still moist from the bath, take a tablet of reducing soap in each hand and draw across in the same manner. The soap is a weapon with which to fight the encroaching "tye."

If you are otherwise slim, you will not wish to diet, and you cannot



(b)

afford to risk losing your facial contours in the cause of your waistline. After all, in every movement, you can trim the waist. You can use it as a pivot—you can never afford to disregard it. And since you will be wearing very few belts this coming season you must have a waistline which can be accentuated with tucks or gauging or cummerbund effect, or draping.

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General Smuts Says Only Two Alternatives Ahead of World To-day

THE "THIN MAN" AND HIS WIFE ARE
BACK IN HONGKONG AGAIN



THE "THIN MAN" and his wife—William Powell and Myrna Loy—return to the King's Theatre to-day in M. G. M.'s "Double Wedding", another inimitable comedy by the world's greatest husband-and-wife team.

England Again Succeeds In International Spelling Bee C-A-M-A-R-A-D-E-R-I-E WAS JUST ONE OF THE WORDS

LATEST news from the Transatlantic (Broadcast) Spelling Bee War Front—Great Britain won the second battle against America recently by 37 points to 27. The word which tripped most spellers on both sides was RHODODENDRON.

Miss Fabia Drake, the actress, who said she could not spell f-l-o-w-e-r-s anyway, spelt it r-h-o-d-o-d-e-n-d-r-o-n.

Miss Sara Haden, her actress opponent in America, failed with r-h-o-d-o-d-e-n-d-r-o-n, while Miss Margaret Baynes (Britain's secretary), after three false starts, managed to get two h's into it—r-h-o-d-o-d-e-n-d-r-o-n.

Both Miss Drake and Miss Haden slipped-up on "terragent", Miss Drake preferred "terragent", to Miss Haden's "terragent".

Neither of the military representatives could spell camaraderie. Lieut.-Colonel J. H. Gettings, of the British Army, came out with "camadarie," while Colonel Barnell spelt it "comaraderie."

"BLOODY BUT UNBOWED"
At the end of the third round, when the score was: Britain 22, America 15, the Americans announced that their heads were "bloody but unbowed."

At the end of the fourth round (Britain was 30 points up, to America's 21) the Americans boasted that their heads were "still unbowed."

Sir John Squire, asked to spell antrum, cautiously inquired whether the spelling-master required the cavity or the county.

This is how the teams spell (stars denoting words wrongly spelt):

AMERICA

Sara Haden, actress (five mistakes):
*Vurdancy, *Aesthetism, *Reconnissance, *Panarama, *Termigant, *Rhododendron.
Helen Ashmun, secretary (one mistake):
*Spient, *Encyclical, *Tacitly, *Benefited, *Abolishonist, *Rhododendron, *Linton Wells, broadcaster (all correct).
Arbiter, Terminology, Farinaceous, Scintillate, Quarantine.
Colonel Barnell, soldier (two mistakes):
*Chastisement, turpentine, *comaraderie, parasol, nasturtium, Joe Maclosky, athlete (two mistakes):
Blatant (corrected just in time to blatant), *phawans, *harphy, galloon, commensurate.

Herbert S. Bailey, schoolboy (three mistakes):
*Revivify, fawned, perspicacity, *Audiant, *venuous.

C. N. Thomas, banker (two mistakes):
*Marshall, *flaxid, *richocet, quondam.

Cart Carmer, author (all correct):
Monetary, tremolo, impenicible, reciprocal, intersteele.

GREAT BRITAIN

Miss Fabia Drake, actress (three mistakes):
*Forthright, *Aesthetism, *Embryonic, *Obloquy, *Termigant, *Rhododendron.

Miss Margaret Baynes, secretary (one mistake):
Verdancy, Ambrosia, Reconnaissance, Panarama, Termagant, *Rhododendron.

Mr. Howard Marshall, broadcaster (all correct):
*Circus, Demonstrable, Clavichord, Calligraphy, Abolitionist.

Lieut.-Colonel J. H. Gettings, soldier (one mistake):
Acumen, Gauging, *Camadarie, Diocese, Commingle.

Mr. Bernard Darwin, athlete (all correct):
Chastisement, Gemmaton, Camaraderie, Exhort, Endocrinology.

Mr. J. E. Killik, schoolboy (all correct):
Dahlia, Fauns, Harpy, Verdigris Hydrant.

Mr. D. A. J. Buxton, banker (all correct):
Revivify, Tantamount, Troglodyte, Audient, Venuous.

Sir John Squire, author (all correct):
Acerue, Flaccid, Ricochet, Ululate, Antrum.

Redskin Killed
By Tribal Law

Execution of John Billy, a 30-year-old Red Indian, by his tribal chief, after a vote of the medicine men of the Seminoles, has been revealed by the Florida police.

When detectives questioned Chief John Osceola, he said, "Me do it, sure; me good; he bad Indian."

Then he told how Billy was summoned before a tribal council and sentenced to death for kicking an expectant mother, daughter of the chief.

Medicine men summoned from the swamps of the Everglades, where the red man lives primitive lives a few minutes by air from the boulevards of the millionaire resort of Miami, decided that this was no case for the white man's law.

Billy, they decreed, must die. Other tribal conclaves, held in the heart of the swamps, endorsed the decision.

Chief John Osceola and his son went to Billy's camp and there the accused man was killed outright by one bullet from the 78-year-old chief's rifle.

The chief was arrested, and released after an inquiry, and it is likely that the red man's law will be allowed to prevail.

Four-Year-Old Knows All

JEAN KATHLEEN DEMERS, aged four, of Tracadie, Nova Scotia would be an asset in any "spelling bee."

Asked what was the capital of Dutch Guiana, when the Suez Canal was opened and by whom it was built, who was Woodrow Wilson, and who was the greatest baseball player, she answered correctly without the slightest hesitation.

Jean's mother attributes her daughter's quickness to her perpetual inquisitiveness.

X-Ray Hunt For Pyjama Pimperel

Prison-Breaker Eludes
Police Of Two Countries

London.

Scotland Yard detectives are still searching for the man who bluffed his way out of Brixton Prison, escaped from hospital in his pyjamas . . . and vanished.

Six months ago 30-year-old John Dale, an Australian remanded in Brixton on a charge of obtaining £1,000 by means of a trick, collapsed in apparently violent pain in his cell.

So terrible was his "agony" that he was removed at once by ambulance to St. Giles' Hospital, Camberwell, for expert medical attention.

Dale had chosen his time well, says the Sunday Chronicle. It was Saturday night. Luck favoured him when he was placed in a small semi-private ward on the ground floor facing the street.

His clothes were taken away from him, but he was allowed to wear his own pyjamas and dressing-gown. He was left in the ward, writhing and groaning.

As soon as he was alone he slipped open the window, climbed out into the street, and disappeared.

A day later Scotland Yard received a letter from Dale.

"I have only granted myself bail," he wrote, "I will appear in court for certain." But Dale did not reappear.

The search intensified. Dale's known haunts were watched.

His former companions were shadowed for weeks on end. But Dale was too clever to appear where he was known.

Underworld rumours said that Dale had escaped from the country and had fled to Australia. Cables were sent to the Australian police, who could find no trace of him.

Scotland Yard now believes that these rumours were deliberately circulated to cause the police to relax their search.

But Scotland Yard never relaxes. Careful comb-outs are made periodically, and the Yard will continue the search until Dale is discovered.

The Yard believes that Dale, the man who has completely eluded them for six months, will one day make a slip.

World's Greatest Menace Ahead

Cape Town.
GEN. SMUTS, South African Minister of Justice and Deputy Prime Minister, made a spirited defence of the League of Nations in Parliament in reply to Dr. Malan, the Nationalist leader, who had said that the League as an effective force was dead.

Gen Smuts said: "The League is not dead. It merely sleepeth." He admitted that owing to one setback after another the League to-day was in a position of impotence, but he would be a most daring person who could say definitely that the League was dead.

It was possible that out of the setbacks which it experienced the League might rise from its present plight to a better position than it had ever occupied.

PRESENT DANGERS

"There are only two alternatives before the world to-day. Either to follow the way of the League, which is the way of consultation and understanding between peoples, or to fight it out to the end. This would lead to the destruction of world civilisation."

"I do not believe mankind will choose the second course. I think the realisation of present dangers which beset our path will help nations to see that there is a better way and that the better way is the way of the League."

"I have not lost my faith in the League. I know there is no other way if our race and civilisation is to be saved."

Gen. Smuts believed that once the necessary adjustments had been made, the Covenant of the League would once more enjoy the whole-hearted adherence of mankind.

WAR LIABILITIES

Britain's actual war liabilities were confined to three matters:

- (1) The position of France, Holland or Belgium was affected.
- (2) Britain was bound to carry out her obligations under the Covenant of the League.
- (3) Britain was bound to defend her territories, colonies and Dominions.

Should war arise South Africa was bound as a signatory of the League to discharge her liabilities.

"Technically and legally we have no other obligations," said Gen. Smuts. Our obligations regarding British wars are not defined. It will depend on whether South Africa decides to take part in such a war or not—apart from a decision of the League. The onus remains on the people of this country."

France To Mark Birth of Pope

Aurillac, France.
Preparations are being made here to celebrate the birth of the first French Pope, Sylvester II, famous as the leader of the first Crusade for possession of the Holy Land.

Born in 938, just 1,000 years ago, Gerbert, Bishop of Rheims, was a savant and diplomat whose prestige and influence were so great that he was known as "the maker and un-maker of kings." He also was a poet and writer.

Born in the little hamlet of Belliac near here, Pope Sylvester was educated in the Benedictine convent of Aurillac. In Sylvester's day Aurillac was an important European city and it was here that the Pope conceived the idea of the Crusades which were to change the face of Europe and the world.

To-day Aurillac is only a small department county seat lying in the Dordogne valley.

Misplaced Comma Outlaws Sleeping!

Bismarck, N. D.
Slips in phraseology on the part of legislators often result in amusing statutes.

For instance, it is illegal to sleep in a North Dakota hotel.

The 1929 legislature approved a law on hotel inspection. A slip in punctuation made it read like this:

"No hotel, restaurant, dining room or kitchen shall be used as a sleeping or dressing room by an employee or other persons."

Eliminate the comma after the word hotel and the section makes some sense. However, judges say it would take a legislative amendment to get rid of that comma.

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BOMB THROWER SEIZED

Missile Failed To Explode

Shanghai, Apr. 21. This morning several officers of high rank from the Japanese flag-ship Idzumi had a narrow escape from death in front of the Yokohama Specie Bank on the Bund at the hands of an alleged Chinese terrorist.

The Japanese officers had just entered a motor car in the driveway at the side of the bank and were turning into a street when an unidentified male Chinese hurled a hand grenade in the direction of the car. The missile, however, fell short and struck the back of the car. It failed to explode because the hurler neglected to withdraw the fuse-pin.

A Sikh watchman grappled with the Chinese and held him until the Japanese officers descended from the car and took the bomb-thrower into custody. By the time the Shanghai Municipal Police arrived on the scene the assailant and officers had disappeared.

The Chinese is now in the custody of the Japanese authorities where he will remain until investigations are completed when he will be turned over to the Shanghai Municipal Police.—Reuter.

CHINESE GUNMEN

Duel With Police In Settlement

Shanghai, Apr. 21. One of the largest gang raids since the wave of terrorism struck this city occurred yesterday when 30 Chinese gunmen entered two factories in the western district at 11.30 p.m. and were subsequently engaged in battle with a patrol party of the Shanghai Municipal Police.

It is stated that the gangsters entered the factories in the hope of obtaining money from the workers; however, this intention was frustrated by the fact that the workers had none! The gunmen then proceeded to appropriate 60 bags of silk and cotton materials. As they were making off with this booty the robbers were accosted by the Police and a gun-battle ensued in which about 100 shots were fired.

There were no casualties and no arrests, since the robbers succeeded in making a dash into a street outside the jurisdiction of the Settlement Police.—Reuter Special.

PRICE OF RICE

Raising of Duty Benefits Canton and Hongkong

Canton, Apr. 21. To the relief of the general public, rice prices to-day were almost back to the level of three months ago following the efforts of Governor Wu Te-chen, in his capacity as Chairman of the Foodstuff Commission, in urging the Central authorities to permit the import of 1,500,000 piculs duty free.

Detailed arrangements for the import of rice were made yesterday by the Foodstuffs Commission, and the first shipment of imported rice will arrive to-morrow. Theoretically, the payment of rice duty is deferred, with the Provincial Government remitting of money to foreign sellers in Rangoon, Bangkok and Indo-China is to be made through the Central Bank of China. Permission to import the 1,500,000 piculs of rice will benefit Hongkong firms, which used to supply rice to Canton.

Simultaneously, the Foodstuffs Commission is arranging for rail transportation of rice from Hunan to Canton. Every effort is made by the provincial authorities to give preference to native rice.—Special.

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The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 22nd April to the 6th May, 1938, both days inclusive.

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Jammed Gun Saved S'hai Policeman, Says Accused

Shanghai, April 21.

Disclosure made at the trial proceeding yesterday of Tsung Yuen-keng, on a charge of complicity in the assassination of the late Mr. Herman Chun-shan Liu, Chinese President of the University of Shanghai, on April 7, revealed the fact that the British Shanghai Municipal Police Sergeant C. Wade escaped death only because Tsung's gun jammed.

Tsung stated that he fired one shot at Liu, which was ineffective, because when he tried to fire for the second time his gun jammed. Running from the scene of the crime he was pursued by Sergeant Wade, at whom he fired several times, but his gun jammed every time, whereupon he threw away the gun.

Tsung claimed that one of his two companions, both of whom are still at large, fired the fatal shot at Mr. Liu.

The prisoner also denied the previous statement that Mr. Liu had been killed because of his "traitorous" activities. His intention merely had been to shoot Liu as a "warning".—Reuter.

GRENADE IN BANK

Shanghai, April 21.

An unexploded hand grenade was found in the Yokohama Specie Bank to-day.—United Press.

SHANGHAI SEIZURE

Big Opium Haul On Hongkong Ship

Shanghai, Apr. 21. Over 4,000 ounces of opium, apparently despatched from Hongkong, was seized by Shanghai Customs officials yesterday aboard the steamer Lee Sang, soon after the ship's arrival from Hongkong.

The opium was discovered hidden below Chinese pickles and vegetables in earthenware jars and wicker baskets.

No arrests have been made, and the drug has been confiscated.—International.

NEW CHINESE NOTES

Shanghai, April 21.

Notes of 10 cent, 20 cent and 50 cent denominations will be issued by the Federal Bank of China in the middle of next month, according to a report received from Peiping to-day.—Reuter Special.

JAPANESE ABDUCTED

Kino Maru Seized By Quinsan Guerrillas

Shanghai, Apr. 21. Japanese reports state that Nobuyoshi Kaneko, 36-year-old Japanese employee of a local Japanese trading concern, has been kidnapped near Quinsan by Chinese guerrillas.

Kaneko was captured when a cargo boat, the Kino Maru, which he was commanding, was seized by the guerrillas. The Chinese captain and engineer of the Kino Maru were manhandled by the kidnappers, but were finally released.—United Press.

SHIPS IN WIRELESS COMMUNICATION

The following ships are expected to be in wireless communication with Hongkong radio: Tamara, Chekiang, Sontay, Kitano Maru, Haruna Maru, Patroclus, Mentor, Seladan, Talyun, Sulsang, Llanorh, Sagros, Pingwo, Tanan, President Adams, Wuchang, Van Heutz, Chitral, Andre Lebon, and Felix Roussel.

Labour May Try To Aid U.S. Railways

C. I. O. Subsidiary Out To Dictate To Another Industry

Washington, Apr. 21.

Labour leaders and operators have tentatively agreed upon emergency labour legislative action to aid the railroads. The scheme has been submitted to Senator Wheeler, but no mention has been made of wage reductions, which the operators sought to tide them over a difficult period.

Meanwhile, the United Automobile Workers, a subsidiary of the C.I.O., announces that a strike has closed all eight plants of the Bohm Aluminum-Buss Company in Michigan. Three had previously been shut down in protest against alleged violation of seniority in promotion. The company declares it will not negotiate until the plants are reopened.

In Crockett, California, the refinery has reopened after workmen had voted to return to work and accept the wages offered them.—United Press.

CHINESE MASS FOR CRITICAL BATTLE

(Continued from Page 1.)

three days the Japanese have sustained considerable losses.

Divisions Identified

The authorities revealed that the Japanese reinforcements which came to rescue their comrades beleaguered at Linyi, Hsien, Chucheng, Hsiang-cheng and Tsaowang are the 102nd and 14th Divisions. The 102nd Division proceeded to Linyi by way of the Weichang-Taichang highway and the 14th Division moved southward to Hsien and Tsaowang by the Tientsin-Pukow Railway.

Reinforced by the 14th Division, the Japanese troops at Hsien and Tsaowang have broken through the Chinese cordons. They attempted to advance southward along the Chinese at, but were halted by the Chinese at Hungwau, south-east of Hsien. The Japanese tactics, the authorities stated, are apparently to establish a line between the west bank of the Yi River and the Lincheng-Tsaowang Railway. But as heavy Chinese reinforcements are concentrated along this line, the Japanese are not expected to succeed in their attempt easily.—Central News.

Expansion Of R. A. F. Costs Many Millions

London, Apr. 21.

The construction of new stations, equipment depot, training establishments and other accommodation for the expanded Royal Air Force is now proceeding at a cost which is now estimated to be upwards of £50,000,000.

This is revealed by the Comptroller and Auditor-General in a report on the air services appropriation account for the year ended March 31, 1937. In many cases the original estimate has been considerably increased.—Reuter.

AUSTRALIA-TO-ENGLAND AIR SERVICE PLANS

Melbourne, Apr. 21.

Mr. Joseph A. Lyons, Prime Minister of Australia, to-day announced that a preliminary Anglo-Australian air mail service, by flying boat, was beginning in July, with a twice-weekly service both ways, which will be increased to a thrice-weekly service both ways by August.

Mails for the south and west of Australia will be flown from Port Darwin direct, instead of via Sydney, as originally planned.—Reuter Special.

EDUCATIONIST TO SPEAK

Professor S. Lautenschlager, professor of Political Science and International Affairs of Chicago University, Taiwan, will speak to the Y. M. C. A., on the topic of "The Recent World Struggle between Democracy, Communism and Fascism."

Friends and members are cordially invited to attend this meeting, to be held at the Hongkong Chinese Y. M. C. A., 71 Bridges Street, at 7.30 p.m. to-night.

PRINCE HURT IN CAR COLLISION

Copenhagen, Apr. 21. Prince Gustav, youngest brother of King Christian of Denmark, injured his face when, while driving his car, he collided with another.—Reuter Special.

EX-ETONIAN AND GIRL IN AMERICA 'MARRIAGE MARKET' TRIP DENIED

MALISE HERBERT STEWART, aged twenty-seven, old Etonian and ex-Guards officer, denied in the London Bankruptcy Court that he took a trip to America to "offer himself in the marriage market."

He was explaining how his debts had mounted to £28,418 and had told how in December 1936 he sailed for America to get married with £5,000 of borrowed money and £2,000 in letters of credit.

The Official Receiver (Mr. Bruce Park): Do you mean you were offering yourself generally in the marriage market?—No. I went out to marry a specific lady. Stewart said that his fiancée's parents were well off, but he did not expect to receive any financial help from the marriage.

While in New York he was operated on for internal hemorrhage. The Official Receiver: Was that brought about by excessive living and drinking?—Certainly not. Less than three months after that Stewart was sailing back to England and—

The marriage arrangements had fallen through. In one night in a casino at Palm Springs, California, he had lost another £2,000 of borrowed money in five minutes; and He had only £100 left of the £7,000 with which he sailed.

Up to a year ago Stewart—who now lives with his Kensington, W., den Hill square, mother, was living at the rate of £10,000 a year, giving champagne parties, wearing 70s. a pair silk pyjamas.

Later, he went to South Africa, could not find work, and travelled back in June 1935, at his mother's expense. She allowed him £5 a week.

For more than a year Stewart worked on half commission for stockbrokers and paid back £2,000 to his mother. Then his luck in speculations turned. He left a firm owing them £1,800. The trip to America followed.

Stewart said that on his return he returned to half-commission work. Once more he speculated and lost. Stewart's creditors, consisting of equities in pledge tickets, were put down as "doubtful."

The examination was closed.

MORALS IN TROPICAL COLONY

"THESE men have been living in a latitude where the conventional rules of morality are subjected to a strain which frequently breaks them."

Mr. Eric Neve made this plea at Lewes Assizes recently on behalf of a doctor and an accountant on leave from the Gold Coast, who were found guilty of offences against boys at Brighton.

The accountant, Raymond Elmer Hunt, 51, who pleaded guilty to three counts, was sentenced to 18 months' hard labour.

The other man, William Chisholm, of the West African Medical Service, pleaded guilty to one offence and was sentenced to six months' hard labour.

Det.-Sergt. Collier said that Chisholm, a native of Morayshire, was separated from his wife. He held the degrees of M.B. and Ch.B., and in 1929 became Medical Officer of Health for the whole of the Gold Coast.

Hunt, a single man, had been a chief clerk on the London Stock Exchange before the war. He enlisted and became a captain of the R.A.S.C. After the war he re-enlisted and later served as R.Q.M.S. with the West African Frontier Force.

In 1931 he became accountant of the Public Works Department on the Gold Coast.

There were no convictions against either of the men.

Mr. Neve, for both accused, said: "For some terrible sexual urge—due very largely to the climatic conditions under which they have been living—they have been living in this sort of thing. They will do anything possible to break themselves of a habit which has smothered them to pieces."

Passing sentence, Mr. Justice Branson remarked: "I hope that when you come out of prison you will get into an institute and have yourselves cured."

EXCHANGE

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No Increase In British Taxes Likely

Buoyant Revenue Aids Government

London, Apr. 21.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer is expected to introduce a "marking time" budget on April 26, states a lobby correspondent. Starting changes in the taxation position are not anticipated, and the budget may generally follow these lines:

Firstly, no increase in income tax; secondly, a lightening up of tax evasion possibilities; thirdly, extra borrowing to meet any outstanding expenditure.

The possibility of taxation of cosmetics is also mentioned. Some £65,000,000 more than last year will have to be found by the Chancellor, but there is a buoyant revenue which has produced a surplus of over £28,000,000, and the national defence contribution is expected to realise £25,000,000 or more.—Reuter.

MACAO BILLIARDS TOURNEY

Macao, Apr. 21.

A friendly billiard tournament will commence on April 25 at the Restaurant Aurora Portuguesa in Macao between two teams, one known as the "Phantoms" and the other as the "Veterans."

The following players are taking part in this competition, the first six representing the first group and the others the second group: Messrs. F. E. Rodrigues, H. C. Braga, F. M. Rodrigues, J. M. Guerreiro, Olimpio Santos, M. J. Jesus, Francisco Paula da Silva, Antonio Heranilha Melo, A. Remedios Francisco Moronha, L. Silva and Estavao da Rosa.

The tournament has aroused great interest in sporting circles, and the players are all in active training. It is reported that the losing team will invite the winners to dinner and besides the players many persons have signified their intention of taking part in the dinner.—Our Own Correspondent.

Princess Gives Birthday Party

London, Apr. 21.

Princess Elizabeth celebrated her twenty-first birthday with a party at Windsor Castle this afternoon. Congratulatory telegrams were received from the Dominions and Colonies.

For the first time the Princess was allowed to take public office, and she is to be President of the Children's League of the Princess Elizabeth of York Hospital in the East End of London.—Reuter Bulletin.

HAPSBURG PROPERTY SEIZED

Berlin, Apr. 21.

A newspaper says that the property of the Hapsburg family of Austria, valued at £2,000,000, was seized by decree some weeks ago, "as a result of Duke Otto's foolish and treasonable interview with a French newspaper on March 16."—Reuter Bulletin.

U.S. BUYS MEXICAN SILVER

Washington, Apr. 21.

Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of the Treasury, without disclosing the name of the company or the amount, said the Treasury had bought some Mexican silver from an American firm operating in Mexico.—United Press.

EXCHANGE RATES

Apr. 20. Apr. 21.
Paris 158 1/2 159 3/4
Geneva 21.08 21.09 1/2
Berlin 12.30 12.40
Athens 547 1/2 547 1/2
Milan 94 1/2 95 1/2
Oslo 10.90 10.90
Copenhagen 22.40 22.40
Stockholm 10.40 10.40
Helsingfors 220 1/2 220 1/2
Shanghai 1 1/4 1 1/4
New York 20 1/2 20 1/2
Vienna 8.00 8.00
Prague 143 1/2 143 1/2
Madrid 110 1/2 110 1/2
Lisbon 110 1/2 110 1/2
Hongkong 1 1/2 1 1/2
Bombay 1 1/2 1 1/2
Montreal 5.01 5.01
Brussels 2 1/2 2 1/2
Yokohama 217 217
Belgrade 677 1/2 677 1/2
Bucharest 20 1/2 20 1/2
Rio de Janeiro 21 1/2 21 1/2
Silver (Spot) 18 1/2 18 1/2
Silver (forward) 18 1/2 18 1/2
War Loan 103 1/2 103 1/2

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INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Due
Shanghai and Amoy	Chickland	April 22.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., 2nd April).	Emp. of Canada	April 22.
Shanghai	Gloucester	April 22.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 17th April.	Imperial Airways Plane	April 22.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 15th April.	Pan American Airways Plane	April 22.
Shanghai	Son Tay	April 22.
Calcutta and Straits	Sulsang	April 22.
Manila	Tamara	April 22.
Amoy	Tilawa	April 22.
Japan and Formosa	Haruna Maru	April 23.
Shanghai and Swatow	Klungchow	April 23.
Straits	Mentor	April 23.
Haliphong	Patroclus	April 23.
Japan	Kanchow	April 23.
Shanghai and Amoy	Kitano Maru	April 23.
Straits	Taiyuan	April 24.
Straits	Anhui	April 24.
Japan and Shanghai	Bellerophon	April 24.
Japan	Potsdam	April 24.
Calcutta and Straits	Allpore	April 24.
Calcutta, Straits and Europe via Negapatam (Letters and Papers)	Kulsang	April 24.
London date, 24th March.	Talma	April 26.
Java and Manila	Tytsadane	April 26.
Straits and Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers) London, 31st March and London Parcels—London date, 24th March.	Chitral	April 27.
Saloon	Felix Roussel	April 27.
Tientsin	Holhow	April 27.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 21st April.	Imperial Airways Plane	April 27.
Shanghai	D'Artagnan	April 28.
Japan	Nellore	April 28.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan, and Manila (San Francisco, 25th March).	Pres. Taft	April 28.
Straits	Philoctetes	April 29.
Japan and Shanghai	Rawalpindi	April 29.
Straits	Conte Verde	April 30.

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Friday	Date and Time
Shanghai	Bertram Rickmers	Fri., Apr. 22, 3 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Selsan	Fri., Apr. 22, 3 p.m.
Manila	Emp. of Canada	Fri., Apr. 22, 4.30 p.m.
Straits and Europe via Marseilles	Bhutan	Fri., Apr. 22, 5 p.m.
—due Marseilles, 25th May	K.P.O.	Fri., Apr. 22, 5 p.m.
Air Mail for Wuchow, Kweilin, Kweiyang and Chungking by the "C.N.A.C. Airways Direct Service"	Reg.	Apr. 22, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 22, 5 p.m.
	G.P.O.	Apr. 22, 5 p.m.
	Reg.	Apr. 22, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 22, 5 p.m.
	G.P.O.	Apr. 22, 5 p.m.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Pan American Airways Plane	K. P. O.	Fri., Apr. 22, 5.00 p.m.
Honolulu and U.S.A. by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service"	Reg.	Apr. 22, 5.00 p.m.
—due San Francisco, 30th April	Ord.	Apr. 22, 5.00 p.m.
	G. P. O.	Apr. 22, 5.00 p.m.
	Reg.	Apr. 22, 5.00 p.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 22, 5.00 p.m.
	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	Apr. 23, 8.15 a.m.
Samshul and Wuchow	M. V. Talyun	Sat., Apr. 23, 8.30 a.m.
Shanghai	Fook On	Sat., Apr. 23,

RAILWAY
BOMBEDPlanes Reconnoitre
Over Canton

Canton, April 21.

Six Japanese planes appeared over here to-day shortly after noon when an alarm was sounded. The raiders reconnoitred over a wide area around the city. No bombs were dropped and the city defence did not open up. Later the Japanese planes proceeded to northern Kwangtung and landed a number of planes along the Canton-Hankow Railway including Kwantung, Parkong and Yingtak. —Wah Kiu Yat Po.

RUMOUR MONGERS

Canton Police Seeking
Gang of Ruffians

Canton, Apr. 21.

For spreading rumours that Japanese planes will bomb bridges and public utility plants, a gang of ruffians are being traced by the Canton police. The gang is expected to be arrested shortly. Fabrication of such rumours alarms the public in view of the heavy casualties on April 10 and 17.

It is also rumoured that the Japanese Navy made threats to Macao for giving facilities to some Chinese armed junk which harassed Japanese warships and later sought protection in Macao waters. This story is circulated by a German news agency, while officials here have no information that such warcraft is in existence.

A spokesman of the Garrison Commandant Headquarters stated that while a Japanese destroyer yesterday again fired on the Bocca Tigris forts to show that the Japanese navy was still on the job, only about 10 warships are hovering off the Kwangtung coast. He added that most of them were observed off the coast of Fuliens presumably on their way back to Formosa for refuelling and overhauling.

It is reported that the Noto or Kimo, Japanese seaplane carrier, has gone to the Fuliens coast, as the towns in the south were subjected to bombing during the past several days. The planes that raided Kwangtung were from the islands near Chungshan county. —Special.

ASSOCIATION'S APPEAL

Canton, Apr. 21.

Indiscriminate bombings of Canton and the heavy toll of civilians, especially women and children, on April 10 and 17 were deprecated in a pamphlet prepared to-day by the Justice to China Association, an organization composed of foreign residents here.

The pamphlet urges the Western Powers to use their influence to check such wanton slaughter and destruction by the dropping of bombs from a great height. All the victims in these two severe raids were non-combatants.

Such ruthless raids were deliberately planned, as threats to bomb the city were announced by leaflets dropped by Japanese bombers a few days before the attacks. —International.

U.S. COMMODITY
PRICES
LATEST CABLED
QUOTATIONS

New York, April 21.

New York Cotton

	Opening	Closing
May	8.84/83	8.88/88
July	8.80/81	8.80/80
October	8.00/01	8.04/04
December	9.02/01	9.05/05
Jan. (1939)	9.05/05	9.08/08
Mar. (1939)	9.12/11	9.14/14
Spot		8.04

The First Notice Day for May Cotton is April 26.

New York Rubber

	Opening	Closing
May	12.45b/55a	12.52 /52
July	12.69 /00	12.69b/70a
September	12.78 /81	12.82 /82
December	13.00 /01	13.01 /20
March		13.10N

Sales for the day: 1,020 tons.

Chicago Wheat

	Opening	Closing
May	84 3/4/85 3/4	84 3/4/84 3/4
July	82 3/4/83	82 3/4/82
September		82 3/4/82 3/4

Wednesday's Sales: 16,285,000 bushels.

Chicago Corn

	Opening	Closing
May	59 1/2/59 1/2	59 1/2/59 1/2
July	61 1/4/61 1/4	61 1/4/61 1/4
September		62 1/4/62 1/4

Winnipeg Wheat

	Opening	Closing
May	126 1/2/126 1/2	124 3/4/124 3/4
July	110 1/2/110 1/2	114 /114
October		90 1/4/90 1/4

STOCK MARKET
REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 3.15 p.m. yesterday, reads: There was a fairly general enquiry in the market today and prices improved due to a scarcity of sellers.

Buyers	
Hongkong Bank	\$1,345
Union Insurance	\$320
China Underwriters	\$2.15
H.K. & C. Wharves	\$132 1/2
Providence (New)	\$3.30 ex. div.
H.K. Mines	\$10 1/2
H.K. & S. Hotels	\$8.60
Realities	\$3.15
H.K. Debentures	\$100 1/2
H.K. Tramways	\$10.10
Peak Tram (Old)	\$7
China Lights (Old)	\$11.85
Long Cross	\$9 1/2
H.K. Electric	\$30 1/2
Telephones (Old)	\$26.00
Telephones (New)	\$10 1/2
Cement	\$17.30
Dairy Farms	\$24 1/2
Wing Wo	\$35
Constructions	\$1 1/2
Martins	(H.K.) 3/10
H.K. Mines	\$0.11 1/2
H.K. Tramways	\$10 1/2
Cement	\$17 1/2

Sales	
Hongkong Bank	\$1,547 1/2
H.K. & C. Wharves	\$132 1/2
Providence (Old)	\$3.35/40
H.K. Mines	\$0.11 1/2
H. & S. Hotels	\$8.60
H.K. Lands	\$7
H.K. Tramways	\$10 1/2/13
Telephones (Old)	\$26.00
Telephones (New)	\$10 1/2
H.K. Mines	\$0.11 1/2
Martins	(H.K.) 3/10
Antiques	Rs. 31
Atoka	24 1/2
Baguio Gold	2 1/2
Bonnet, Convent	\$50
Coco Grove	30
Demonstrations	34 1/2
J. X. L. 70	
Paraga Gumaua	17 1/2
San Maurizio	40 1/2
United Paracoles	17

KONOYE
DENIES
CABINET
SPLITExplains China
Policy Fixed

Tokyo, Apr. 21.

An emphatic denial of the rumours of a rift within the Cabinet, and a re-affirmation of his intention to go ahead as announced through the Chief Secretary of the Cabinet a few days ago, was made by the Prime Minister, Prince Kono, who attended at his office for the first time today since April 1.

Prince Kono, who has been confined to his private residence since April 2 on account of indisposition, was permitted by his physician to leave his bed yesterday, and accompanied by his wife and private secretary he took a walk in the garden for about an hour, swinging a golf club for exercise.

At 11.15 a.m. to-day the Premier attended his office where he faced a barrage of questions by newspapermen.

The Premier said that he had been confined to his home with the worst cold he had suffered in the past five years. His absence from his duties had no other significance.

It is no wonder, the Premier added, that various rumours, such as that of the Cabinet change or political unrest, should have started, since Japan is confronted with a great issue, namely the "China incident."

In this connection the Premier reminded his audience of the declaration made by the Imperial Government on January 17, in which it was announced that Japan refused to have any further dealings with the Chiang Kai-shek administration. The current situation, he continued, would appear to be a deadlock, but actually the reverse was the case, as would be demonstrated in the near future.

Japanese military operations, he added, were being worked out "most cautiously."

Prince Kono said that he had "nothing in mind" regarding a fresh move in London, but he expressed the opinion that "a change in the situation in China will induce a change in the attitude of Britain, which is a realistic country."

Japan, he said, had only to go ahead with her fixed policy towards China. The Premier denied the rumour of a Cabinet split on the China issue.

Japan, he said, would recognize the new regime in China when the new Peiping and Nanking Governments were amalgamated, following restoration of through traffic on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway, but the exact date had not yet been decided upon.

Prince Kono declared that he had no intention of reconstructing a full Cabinet, though the Minister of Public Welfare would be chosen. Marquis Kido holds this post at present, concurrently with the Education portfolio.

The Premier said that he would welcome a new strong party if one could be organized, but he saw no good in mere amalgamation of the existing parties.

His health, he added, would not permit him to take an active part in the new party movement.

He thought that the Home Minister, Admiral Suetsumu, would likewise hesitate to take such a part as he "was entirely without experience in the political field." —Reuter Special.

KONOYE RESUMES DUTIES

Tokyo, Apr. 21.

Prince Kono has resumed his duties.

To the press he regretted his indisposition. Consequent upon political speculations, he said, it was necessary to concentrate all efforts on the China situation. —United Press.

LETTERS TO THE
EDITORTo the Editor,
Hongkong Telegraph.

Sir,—It will probably be regarded by the majority of British residents in Hongkong as regrettable that the Nazi representative should have introduced here the highly controversial subject of the German attitude towards Czechoslovakia.

We are left in no doubt of the German view from home papers, wireless reports and other methods of disseminating news, without any necessity for local additions to these methods.

In Hongkong we are supposed to be strictly neutral as regards the Sino-Japanese clash; we are not and cannot be neutral in the matter of German actions in Europe. As Mr. Chamberlain has clearly stated, the form of government adopted by any power is solely that power's business. The action and the results of that power's form of government is, however, the business of everybody who is likely to be affected. In that respect obviously we British expect to be particularly favoured by Germany's future actions, or we should not be spending such vast sums on preparation to ward off and nullify these anticipated but unwanted attentions.

As another point of view on the subject of the "oppressed," "ill-treated" and "persecuted" German citizens of Czechoslovakia, the following extract from the Spectator of April 1 is interesting—the Spectator being noted for its broad-minded and liberal treatment of all discussions. After stating that the legitimate grievances of the Sudeten-Germans must be rectified, by the establishment of a liberal and just regime, as plainly stated by Mr. Chamberlain in his speech after Germany had so successfully outraged the independence of Austria, the Spectator continues:—

"But let us understand what liberty and justice in this case involve, and not willfully close our eyes to the inherent difficulties of the situation. The Sudeten-Germans, as it is not only for greater individual freedom than any other German minorities in Europe but for greater freedom than any Germans in Germany. If asking what is reasonable, and their claim would certainly be approved in this country."

"But if the demand is for a local autonomy which places the Sudeten-Germans in effective control of some hundreds of miles of the frontier separating Czechoslovakia from a Germany which has just given spectacular evidence of what its respect for international frontiers amounts to, then the difficulties of the situation become obvious."

"If, moreover, a plebiscite is advocated, as it is in some quarters in this country, let there be some realization of the conditions in which it would be carried out. All possibility of a fair plebiscite has, in fact, been shattered by Herr Hitler himself. Austria has been a convincing object-lesson."

The Spectator concludes the article as follows:—

"The right policy for this country is to insist that while all reasonable injustices must be rectified, the rectification must not be under the compulsion of force or the threat of force, or be such to imperil Czechoslovakia's national security. If that principle can be made to prevail, the Czechoslovakian Germans will not be a cause of war in Europe. Even so we shall still be near the edge of the precipice. Whatever Herr Hitler wants, Herr Hitler clearly wants not merely autonomy for the Sudeten-Germans, but their absorption in the Reich; till that happens he aims at using them to change a Czechoslovakian foreign policy which involves reliance on Russia, as well as France, in case of need. The hostility which

McNutt Would
Be Popular
Candidate
For President

Shanghai, April 21.

A survey in Chinese, Japanese and foreign circles here has indicated that Chinese and foreign approval is possible for the "McNutt for President" Campaign owing to Mr. Paul McNutt's experience of the Far East, together with his recommendations for the re-examination of the Philippines question, which, it is believed, will result in the continuance of American influence in the Orient.

Japanese circles are alienated owing to the Daino investigation, together with hopes that Mr. McNutt will favour the United States withdrawal from the Philippines and owing to his Shanghai visit, in which the general impression was that Mr. McNutt was critically viewing Japanese actions in China as well as conferring with Admiral Harry Yarnell for the possible defence of the Philippines against Japan.

VIEWS OF AMERICANS

Americans believe that it would be very favourable to the interests of China to have a man of Mr. McNutt's qualifications at the White House after the completion of the expanded navy, which, it is believed, will be used to maintain and protect the American stakes and nationals throughout the Orient.

These American circles state that they believe the election of Mr. McNutt after his clear declaration and personal views on the Orient would be a notice to Japan that America intends indefinitely to prolong her holdings in the Far East.

It is pointed out that Mr. McNutt has influence in the Mid-west, where Americans ordinarily are indifferent and opposed to expansion abroad, where Mr. McNutt might be able to adopt a stiffer policy without, to any extent, the opposition which confronts President Roosevelt. They point out that the changed attitude in Washington is coincident with Mr. McNutt's visit. —United Press.

MCNUTT DEFENDED
Campaign to Eliminate Him
From Presidential Race

Washington, April 20.

Senator Sherman Minton, Democrat of Indiana, to-day charged that the current attacks were part of a concerted effort to "smash the McNutt" campaign and eliminate the Philippines High Commissioner from the United States Presidential race. Senator Minton drew attention to the fact that Mr. McNutt did not participate in the original plans of the Palace and furthermore he will not use the Palace as he will leave the Philippines permanently "around mid-summer." —United Press.

Dr. Hodza's most reasonable declaration has encountered in Berlin is significant. Discontent pays Berlin better than settlement.

This represents a very calm and fair statement of the Czechoslovakian position as seen by a British trained observer; and as such it probably represents the opinion of a far greater number of people than the mass of petty details selected by Mr. Hess in the special pleading for his "oppressed" fellow citizens in Czechoslovakia.

If we are to have in Hongkong a flood of such special pleadings, which many people would characterise bluntly as Nazi propaganda, it is devoutly to be hoped that local newspapers will see that the opposite side, as stated clearly in the leading, and well-informed British organs of public opinion, are also kept well to the fore.

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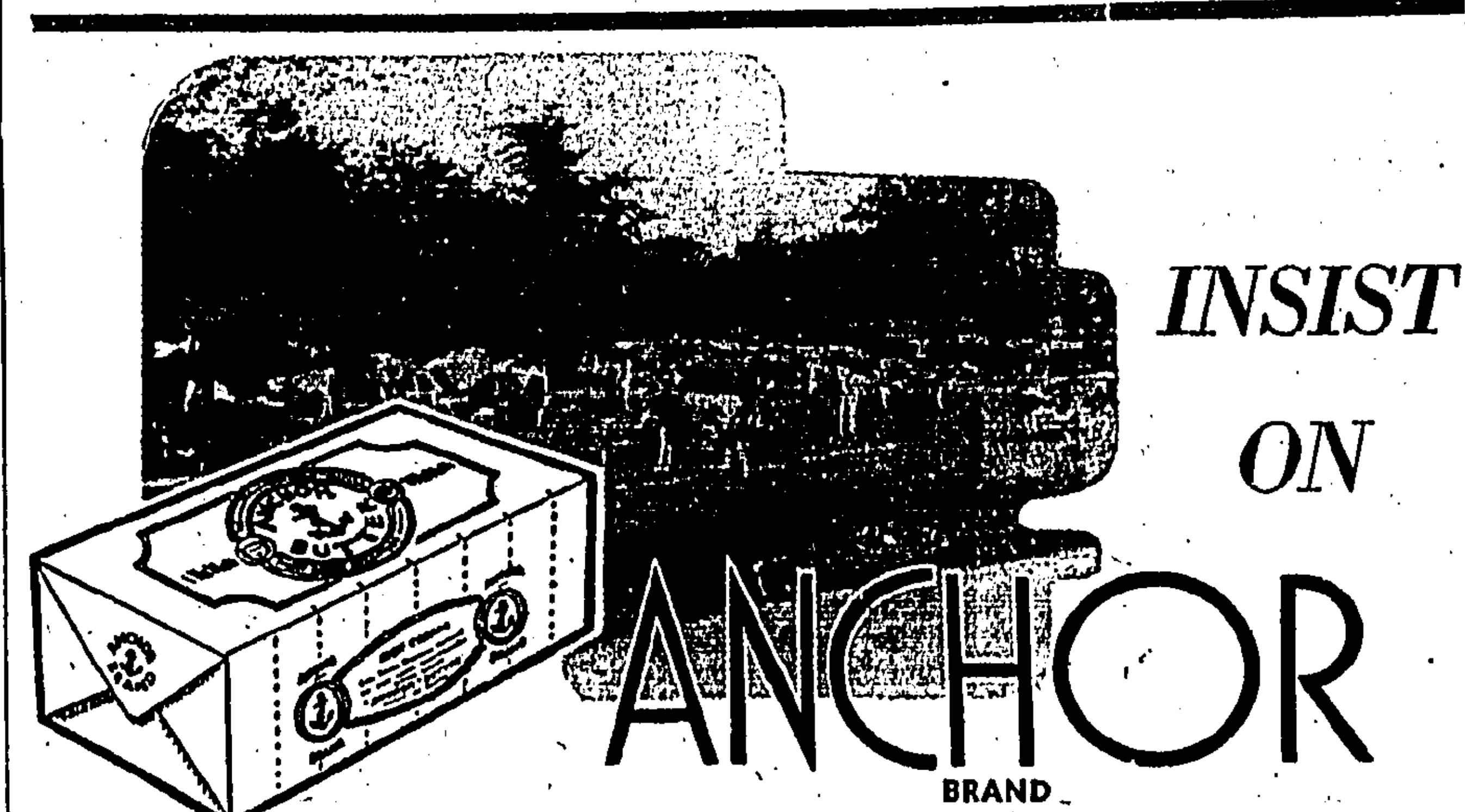
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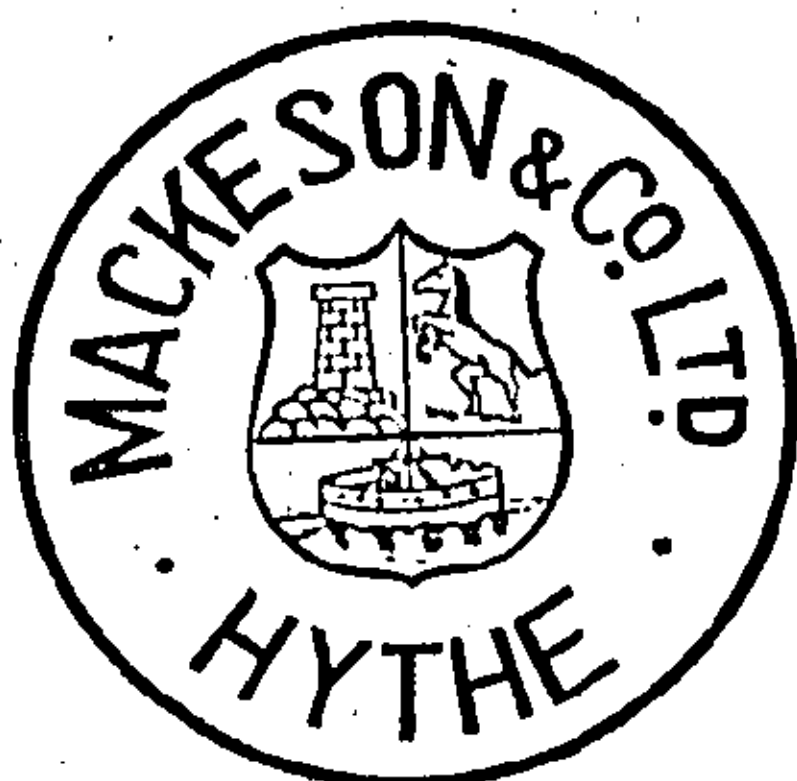
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TRADE OFFERS
SECURITY

It has been said that all wars are fought for trade. Many economists now preach that the causes of war would be removed to a great extent if the world could once more enjoy free commercial intercourse. One of the most convincing arguments in this connection recently was advanced by Mr. W. A. Aldrich, chairman of the Board of Directors of the Chase National Bank of New York. He is recognised as an authority on his subject. "An easy flow of international trade is one of the surest foundations of international peace," he said. He was advocating the reduction of American trade restrictions, and it has been through the influence of such men and with the sympathy of the Roosevelt administration that the British overtures for a trade pact have won such a splendid response from the United States. There can be no doubt but that the collaboration of these two great commercial systems, represented by the British and American democracies, can show the world the easiest way out of the present economic morass.

It is really such an obvious course, that which Mr. Aldrich and his proponents advocate, that it requires little explanation. First, it must be granted that the prosperity of any nation is generally estimated upon its internal and external trade, and of the two the latter is the most trustworthy criterion. If a nation is going to sell goods, however, it must also be prepared to buy. The moment it tries to sell without buying it is straining the credit of its customer. Ultimately those credits must become frozen, and the buying country gets increasingly into debt, and the selling country finds itself with nothing but uncollectable foreign loans in exchange for goods it has exported. It is necessary to adopt a "cash" system, and the creditor countries must be paid in gold. It is apparent that this one-sided arrangement must soon come to an end for the gold is quickly exhausted.

Debtor countries are driven to desperate expedients by trade restrictions. Since they cannot sell, they cannot buy, and they are forced to attempt, sometimes with fair results, to produce some sort of substitute for the imports they are lacking. To-day the world can see the result of the trade war: Ger-

THE "VERY IDEA"

IN A DAZZLING FLASH IT CAME TO US

By Eddie "Thin Man" Kelly
SINCE LAST WEEK-END WE HAVE BEEN DOING A SPOT OF SLEUTHING.

As a result we can now announce that we have solved the mystery of the post office explosions.

We had to discard several theories before we finally did so. At first it was believed that a popular young man about town, well-dressed, upper part of lip covered with faint wavy moustache; handsome; brilliant raconteur, whose name we can't mention here because it's one of the rules of journalism that you can't give yourself a puff, may have written a rather inflammatory letter to one of his girl friends.

There was every indication, also, that the same chappie was due to receive an explosive letter from a low-down Accountant who seems to do nothing all day but gloat over old autographs, signed in hotels and other like places.

Neither of these caused the Post Office Explosions. Nor was it caused by Mr. Wynne Jones, the Postmaster General, expressing annoyance when he discovered that some low cad had pinched the gum from one of his new two-cent stamps.

As a matter of fact, our theory is that there wasn't an explosion. There was definitely a loud bang!

And plenty of smoke.

Anyone with a spot of reasoning should have known that the bang was the Rents Commissioner's Report.

If you search around you can still see the smoke. Every now and then a high Government official or a landlord peeks out from behind it and shouts "Boo!" to the tenants.

Letters now away from this loathsome office!

HOW LONG DO YOU WANT TO LIVE?

by
James A gate

AT first sight this is a silly question. Silly because the answer so obviously is: As long as I jolly well can. I think a better answer would be: As long as I can and still remain jolly.

Does any man really want to live after he is, as Shakespeare says, "Sans teeth, sans eyes, sans taste, sans everything"?

It is always as well to know exactly what one is talking about. Therefore let it be made clear that what I want to discuss is sticking on to life and not avoiding death.

On that subject Claudio in Shakespeare's "Measure for Measure" has said the last word:

The weariest and most-loathed worldly life
That age, ache, penury and imprisonment
Can lay on nature is a paradise
To what we fear of death.

No man ever feared dying more than Dr. Johnson, and Boswell's "Life" has many passages on the subject. Here is one:

I mentioned to him that I had seen the execution of several convicts at Tyburn, two days before, and that none of them seemed to be under any concern. JOHNSON: "Most of them, sir, have never thought at all." BOSWELL: "But is not the fear of death natural to man?" JOHNSON: "So much so, sir, that the whole of life is not keeping away the thoughts of it." He then, in a low and earnest tone, talked of his meditating upon the awful hour of his own dissolution, and in what manner he should conduct himself upon that occasion: "I know not (said he) whether I should wish to have a friend by me, or have it all between God and myself."

Probably a much more worthwhile question would be: How long should a man want to live? A noble answer would be: Until he has accomplished the work he was sent into the world to do.

It is very easy to make decisions for other people in this matter. I remember when I was a schoolboy being struck by the remark of some historian that it was lucky for Gustavus Adolphus to die when he did.

I think the historian's point was that the Swedish king, having attained the height of military glory, was fortunate to die in battle, and so win imperishable fame before some flaw in nature had developed to lessen that fame. But what would have been Gustavus's view of dying at thirty-eight?

Similarly it might be held, I suppose, that Nelson was lucky to die at Trafalgar, and so not live to be chained to that blowy haridan which Emma Hamilton ultimately became.

So, too, the friends of Napoleon (if he had any) may have wished that he had died at Waterloo and so have been spared those six terrible years of numbing despair.

But that about Nelson? Would he have desired death in the moment of victory? Did Napoleon want to die in the hour of defeat?

I think the answer must be: No.

It is far better, as Mr. Aldrich says, for people to work for their living rather than fight for it. And unrestricted trade goes far towards removing the excuse for combat.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"—until death, or Court, do you part."

A PRACTICAL way of solving our little problem is to arrange that one's work is of a sort to last one's lifetime.

Let us not become like that miserable old buffer, William Congreve, who first dazzled the London stage in 1693 with a play called "The Old Bachelor," written at the age of twenty-three. Four years later he wrote his single tragedy* containing the famous line which is always quoted as

"Hell hath no fury like a woman scorned."

Congreve wrote three other comedies which make up the finest prose trio in the English language, the last being "The Way of the World," written at the age of thirty.

MOST inexplicable of all is the case of Shakespeare, with this difference—

that the greatest dramatist who has ever lived seemed to care little for fame even when he had it. Fame as a poet, yes: fame as a dramatist, no.

Now why did Shakespeare at the height of his powers give up playwriting, sell his shares in the Globe Theatre, and retire to Stratford?

This is a problem the world will never solve. Yet that Shakespeare retained some interest in the theatre is proved by the fact that after he had retired to Stratford he bought a town house near the Blackfriars Theatre.

Rowe gives a possible explanation: "The latter part of Shakespeare's life was spent, as all men of sense may wish theirs may be in ease, retirement, and the conversation of his friends."

Perhaps Anne Hathaway had her way in this matter.

WHICH reminds me of Hortense Hathaway, who, as all good readers of Damon Runyon know, is the daughter of a taxi-jockey by the name of Skush O'Brien, and a very rough guy at that.

This Hathaway, on her marriage to Feet Samuels, retires from the Hot Box, which is a cafe where they sell rock candy and rye whiskey without the rock candy to the country to raise chickens.

Which, again, brings our story down to modern times and the solution to a problem which must always be personal. We have mentioned Gustavus Adolphus, Dr. Johnson, Nelson, Napoleon, Master Betty, Congreve, Voltaire, Bismarck, and the ex-Kaiser, and I do not figure that I am much like any of these except perhaps Gustavus Adolphus.

But I know this: that if ever I inherit a fortune I shall retire to the country, raise so many ponies that you can't see the landscape for hoofs, and live as I can without worrying too much whether I am of any use to anybody.

No. What is imperishable fame—and Napoleon's fame was certain whichever way the battle went—weighed in the scales against twenty years, a year, a month, another day? Which of us, unless he is in, unbearable physical agony, would leave the world one instant sooner for any reward whatsoever?

Heroes, I think, are not moved to the deeds which make them heroes by the prospect of renown present or posthumous; were they so moved the deeds would not be done.

NOW take the case of Master Betty the boy-actor who was known as the Young Roscius. This Infant Phenomenon, who was born at Shrewsbury in 1791, made his first stage appearance in Belfast at the age of eleven.

At once he leaped into fame as a great tragic actor, for indeed he was able to sustain the heaviest tragic roles.

The time was admittedly in the boy's favour. Garrick had been dead some twenty years and the great Kean was not to make his appearance in London for another twelve.

Still there were some good actors about, and there must have been something in the boy, since in those days the playhouse was the repair of all the wits.

Master Betty pleased these mightily and for five years earned from fifty to seventy-five guineas a night!

In 1805 the House of Commons adjourned to witness Master Betty's Hamlet.

At the age of thirty-three this young gentleman retired, after which, having amassed a fortune, he lived in total obscurity and perfect content for, if you please, a whole half-century.

He died three years before I was born, and I once spoke to somebody who knew Master Betty in his old age and did not at the time realise that he had ever had any connection with the stage. Is anybody going to begrudge the old gentleman those fifty years?

On the other hand, I am one of those who have always regretted that the Kaiser, when he saw that the game was up, did not go over the top single-handed, if possible on a white horse, and drawing a sabre.

This gesture would have shown the world that the Boche Emperor was made of the same metal as the Boche private.

The difference between Napoleon and the Kaiser is the difference between anti-climax and ignominy. I have long suspected that Bismarck's "lath painted to look like iron" was less applicable to the British statesman long as I can without worrying of whom it was said than to his own master.

SCIENCE PERFECTS GERM DEATH-RAY

Does Not Affect Humans, But Kills Typhoid Microbes in Few Seconds

LAMP LIKE NEON SIGN

BY MARTIN KANE
United Press Staff Correspondent

A DEATH RAY for microbes, so practical and inexpensive that restaurants, soda fountains, butcher shops and bakeries and even cosmeticians may use it, was demonstrated here before 1,000 of the nation's public health authorities, physicians and scientists.

The ray kills typhoid germs in eight seconds. Other germs are destroyed in less time. The black mold that forms on bread is the toughest yet discovered, requiring 19 minutes of exposure at a distance of four inches to be killed. But bacteria so far studied fall between these extremes.

BETTER THAN SUNLIGHT

Light rays which kill germs are not new to science. Ordinary sunlight does the job, but is comparatively weak and takes much time to be effective. The warmth that accompanies sunlight breeds germs while the light is killing them. Sunlight is confined to the outdoors, and so is useless for factory and shop sanitation. Some ultra-violet lamps kill germs, but also emit heat, and so are impractical for use in refrigerators. They make meats rancid. They require too much electric power to operate economically and the quartz envelopes necessary to pass the ultra-violet radiation are expensive.

Dr. Harvey C. Rentschler, director of research of the Westinghouse lamp laboratory and co-developer of the apparatus with Dr. Robert F. James, disclosed that he had perfected a process of sterilization by selective ultra-violet radiation which conquered all these common objections.

REDUCES TIME ELEMENT

One of the germ-killers would cost about \$15, he said. It would be useful for 40,000 hours and cost less to operate than a Christmas tree bulb. It emits scarcely any heat and has been used successfully in home refrigerators. It reduces the time required for aging beef (about three weeks) to a few days.

The sanitary experts saw Dr. Rentschler place a drop of water under the lens of a projecting microscope. On a theatre-size screen they watched Paramecia (micro-organisms found in pond water) scurry about in their constant search for food. Then the Rentschler-James ray was turned on. For a few seconds the Paramecia scurried even faster. Then they began to shiver and tremble. Finally they stopped all movement. They were dead, but even after death the ray continued its work. Blisters appeared on their tiny bodies. The blisters swelled. In less than two minutes the Paramecia exploded, bursting in the water like puff balls. It required 40 seconds to kill them, and about 90 seconds for the final explosion.

GOOD STERILIZER

The ray is even more effective in air, Dr. Deryl Hart, surgeon-in-chief of Duke Hospital, Durham, N.C., reported on its efficiency in the operating room, as a result of which the hospital now uses the lamps in every major operation.

The lamp is a tubular device, something like a neon sign. It glows with a soft blue light. At a soda fountain for instance, the glasses would have to be washed in the ordinary manner, then placed under the lamp for as little as 30 seconds. By that time they would be comparatively sterile. In big establishments the glasses might be moved under the lamp on slow belts.

NOTICE TO LETTER WRITERS

In fairness to all, the Hongkong Telegraph cannot publish letters to the Editor which the authors are not prepared to sign. The letter from "J.C." in answer to Mr. Hess on the Sudete German question is not printed for this reason.—Editor.

CITY WANTS PIED PIPER

TWIN FALLS, Ida.—This city is looking for a Pied Piper who operates in the rat line. An official survey places the number of rats in the Rock creek area here at 50,000 to 100,000. They are declared to be a potential menace to the city.

HOLLYWOOD FILM STARS RECEIVE AWARDS



LOUIS B. MAYER, left, vice-president of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, representing Spencer Tracy (who was in hospital recuperating from an operation), accepting the award of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences from President Frank Capra, right, for the best male performance of 1937 and handed it to Mrs. Tracy. To the left of Mrs. Tracy is Louise Rainer, winner for the best feminine performance, and the only person ever to win two acting awards, and those in consecutive years for "The Great Ziegfeld" and "The Good Earth." Tracy's statuette was presented for his work in "Captains Courageous."

Couple Married By Their Son

WILLIS PRESSEY, aged eighty-one, and Mrs. Flora Pressey, aged seventy-eight, divorced thirty-four years ago, have been remarried at Coalinga, California, at the request of their children. To complete the family's "triumph"—one of their sons, Justice M. B. Pressey, performed the marriage ceremony.

Dead Man's Eye Aids Blind

San Francisco. THE EYE of a dead man was substituted for a sightless eye of blind Father Antonio M. Santandreu, enabling him to see again, the *San Francisco News* said recently in revealing an apparently unprecedented operation.

In the shaded seclusion of his study, Father Santandreu to-day is able to distinguish light, movement and a trace of colour. A month previous to the operation, the corner of his right eye was removed and replaced by one taken from a dead man.

The unidentified San Francisco surgeon who performed the operation said the 84-year-old pastor of Our Lady of Guadalupe Church soon will be completely normal as far as eyesight is concerned.

BECAME BLIND

Father Santandreu lost the sight of his left eye several years ago. Unwilling to give up his church career, he continued at work. Later the sight of his right eye began to fade, and finally the priest became blind, the *News* said.

Despite his advanced age, Father Santandreu was willing to undergo the delicate operation. Medical men describe the corner as the "window" of the eye. It is a transparent outer coating of the eyeball which is analogous to the crystal of a watch. The entire right eye of a dead man was removed within a few hours after death, the *News* said, and was refrigerated for several days.

EYE TRANSFERRED

With a needle-like instrument, the surgeon removed a disc one-sixth of a millimeter in diameter from the "dead" eye. Then, with the same instrument, he removed a piece of the same size from the priest's eye. After the transfer was made, Father Santandreu spent several days in the hospital, his eyes swathed in bandages, the *News* said. Physicians agreed that it was the priest's courage and confidence in the surgeon that made the operation possible and successful.—United Press.

Helen Wills To Make Comeback

San Francisco. Mrs. Helen Wills Moody, former United States and Wimbledon lawn tennis champion, is preparing to return to competitive tennis this summer.

A tentative itinerary, which is dependent on her health and other considerations, includes the championships at Warsaw, Berlin, and Wimbledon. "It is pretty definite now," she said to-day. "I leave for Europe in May." She added that she felt "better" and was no longer bothered by the back injury which caused her retirement from first-class tennis in 1933, but if she plays at Wimbledon it will probably be in the doubles only.—Reuter.

Coveted Academy Awards Presented To Stars

METRO-GOLDWYN-MAYER ran off with the lion's share of the awards for 1937, conferred annually by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences.

Louise Rainer was declared the best actress of 1937 and Spencer Tracy the best actor. Miss Rainer walked off with top honours for her portrayal of the role of O-lan in "The Good Earth." This is the second time in succession that Miss Rainer has been so honoured. Last year she was acclaimed the best actress for her work in "The Great Ziegfeld." Spencer Tracy won the statuette for his performance in "Captains Courageous," in which he portrayed Manuel, the Portuguese fisherman.

Wallis Blue Is Out of Fashion DUCHESS CHOOSES NEW COLOURS

Paris. As the Duchess of Windsor chooses, so choose the world.

If this new fashion motto holds true, the world will lengthen its jackets to the Mainbocher waistline; adopt the exceedingly popular pink and black colour scheme for both day and evening; put capes or day dress so they will be suitable for street wear, and brighter dark dresses with colourful embroidery, applique or gilets.

It will concentrate on black for day and show a preference for navy (not Wallis) blue and white. It will look kindly upon bright yellow for evening, but choose mostly black or white, with perhaps one dash of green in the new cerise and cyclamen combination. It will adopt romantic silhouettes in glamorous tulle and the Duchess's favourite paillettes.

For such are the choices of the Duchess of Windsor after viewing Mainbocher's collection three times in an effort to make up her mind. Three fittings over, the first instalment of her spring wardrobe has arrived at Versailles. It is considered typical of her favourite dressmaker's dramatic collection, which is being widely attended by those eager to copy the Duchess and perhaps catch a glimpse of her on one of her frequent trips to the fashion house.

CONTRASTING COLOURS The Duchess's new wardrobe will include dark dresses with the contrasting coloured jackets featured throughout the collection.

One of her two-piece navy prints will be in a design which resembles lace paper cupboard edgings. As only one with very slim hips can do, she will have a good deal of belated waist drapery. She will have a pink jacket which fastens on one side with jewels worn over a slim black dinner dress.

EVENING GOWNS Among her choices are several sequined gowns built on the same lines as one of the Duchess's favourite ensembles in which she was seen dining at Maxim's recently. It consists of a blue sequin tulle blouse on which Persian warriors are outlined in white sequins, and is worn with a long, finely pleated blue skirt and straight wool jacket.

Among the specialties of the Mainbocher collection, which especially attracted the Duchess, were the numerous tulle evening gowns, many

Other honours won by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer are as follows: Karl Freund received first prize in the cinematography in "The Good Earth."

"Torture Money," a Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer two-reel short in black and white, and "Penny Wisdom," a Pete Smith colour short, won honours in the short subjects division.

In the scientific division, Douglas Shearer won a plaque for a method of varying the scanning width of variable density sound tracks ("squeeze tracks") for the purpose of obtaining an increased amount of noise reduction. The judges find "the use of this method leads to an increased volume range in the theatre."

John Arnold and the M-G-M camera department won honourable mention for their improvement of the semi-automatic follow focus device and its application to all of the cameras used by the M-G-M studios.

Douglas Shearer and the M-G-M sound department also won honourable mention for the design of the film drive mechanism as incorporated in the Erpi 1010 Reproducer.

Just A Letter From A "Frend"

San Francisco, N. M. J. H. (Bert) Baker, clerk in the automobile licence bureau, has on file a letter from "frend" who said he paid too much "monie" for his "busted truck" licence and wanted a refund.

Following is the letter: "Dear Mister Burd Baker: "Trucke Lisens depart. Court Room

"My frend I you wrote this to let you no thet you chatted me to much for my trucke wen you mad me giv you 13 and twenty five cents for 2 plates for my Old forde becus it is to old and runs sometime not any and becus of trouble I hav a wife what dese not work so you se I cant pay good monie like those for my family and a busted trucke.

"My number is in the booch and I live at 1001 N. 1st St. Please writ as I need the monie.

"P. S. My frends tole me thet I was to pay onlie 10 dollars wich is to much for this old junk.

"Dont send the monie to my wife becus I dont get it."

made with skirts of several full tiers contrasting in colour with their slim bodices. Others, mostly in black, are extensively embroidered in sequins. The Duchess probably will appear in these gowns during the coming round of social events. She is also fond of Mainbocher's tinkling embroidery.

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12.0-12.20 p.m. Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 Songs by Lucienne Boyer (Soprano). It's A Thrill All Over Again (From "Continental Varieties of 1937"); I Found a Bit of Paris in the Heart of Old New York (From "Continental Varieties of 1937"); Ballade (Jambian and Delaire).

12.40 Orchestre Mascotte. Bull Sirens—Waltz Tunes (From "Merry Widow"—Lehar); Lysistrata—Waltz (Paul Lincke); Under the Rainbow—Waltz (Waldteufel); North Sea Waves—Waltz (S. Kranning); Waltz Of The Dolls (After Motifs from The Ballet "The Fairy Doll"); Exultation—Waltz (W. Lautenschlager); Spatsommertag (Waltz—Lehar).

1.0 Time and Weather. 1.03 Keith Falkner (Baritone) And Do Groot & His Orchestra.

"The Merry Widow"—Selection (Lehar)...Orchestra; Without The Moon (From "Mayfair Melody"); San Diego Betty (From "Mayfair Melody")...Keith Falkner; "Gypsy Love"—Selection (Lehar)...Orchestra; Wings (From "Mayfair Melody")...Keith Falkner; Ay, Ay, Ay ("Guyana"—Perez, Freire); Standchen (Strauss)...Orchestra.

1.30 Reuter & Rugby Press; Weather and Announcements. 1.40 New Variety.

Dance Band—Quick-Step Medley; Slow Fox-Trot Medley...Jack Dent And Norrie Moore (two Pianos with Bass & Drums) under the direction of Henry Jacques; Humorous—Going To The Pictures; Sketch...The Two Cockney Kids (Ethel Rynnell & Cockney West); Organ Solo—"Rosalie"—Selection (Cole Porter); Once In A While (Green—Edwards)...Al Bollington at the Organ of the Paramount Theatre, London; Accordion—Hit Medley...George Scott-Wood And His Accordion; Band...Band with vocal refrain; Orchestra—"Big Broadcast of 1938"—Selection (Roblin—Ralinge) With Organ...Anton & The Paramount Theatre Orch. London. Al Bollington at the Organ; Dance Orchestra—Thanks For The Memory—Fox-Trot (From "Big Broadcast of 1938")...Roy Fox And His Orchestra with vocal refrain by Denny Dennis.

2.15 Close Down. 2.16-2.18 Chinese Programme. 7.00 New Variety And Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—Jubilee (From "Every Day's A Holiday"); The Dipsy Doodle (Clinton)...Nat Gonella & His Georgians; Quickstep—Bob White (Mercer—Hanighan); Slow Fox-Trot—Quicksteps (Call Twomey)...Gerry Moore (Piano Solo) with String, Bass & Drums under the supervision of Victor Silvester; Accordion Band—Who Cares?—Intermezzo; Little Anne—Waltz...Tangos—Pura Milonga (Jose Pecora); Mal De Ausencia (Canaro—Pelay)...Orchestra Tipica Francisco Canaro; Piano Solo—Once In A While (Green—Edwards); It's A Long Long Way To Your Heart (Pala—Brandy)...Leslie Hutchinson; Slow Fox-Trot; Little Heaven Of The Seven Seas; Quickstep, Smarty (From "Double or Nothing")...Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra.

7.37 Closing local Stock Quotations. 7.40 London Relay—"Food For Thought."

Three short talks on matters of topical interest. 8.00 Time Weather and Announcements.

8.03 Studio—Concert by Prue Lewis (Violin), Lindsay A. Lafford (Piano) And Gaston D'Aquino (Tenor).

1. Piano: Air de Ballet No. 1 in G (Chaminade); 2. Violin: (a) Gavotte (Rameau); (b) Menuet (Mozart); 3. Vocal: (a) Tristesse du Soir (Massenet); (b) Ave Maria (Kahn); (c) La Serenata (Costi); 4. Violin: (a) La Precieuse (Couperin); (b) An Autumn Song (Morava); 5. Piano: Three Preludes (Chopin); 6. Minor; 7. Minor; 8. Minor.

8.40 Beethoven—Symphony in D (No. 2).

Played by The London Symphony Orchestra conducted by Sir Thomas Beecham.

9.13 Studio—Piano Duet by Prof. Harry Ore and Miss M. Gubbay. Liszt—"Les Preludes"—arr. for 4 hands.

9.30 London Relay—The News. 9.50 Dance Records.

"Tap-Dance—Marie (Berlin)...Victor Silvester And His Ballroom Orchestra; Fox-Trots—Let 'Er Go; The Snake Charmer...Nat Gonella & His Georgians with vocal refrain by Nat Gonella & The Jackdaws.

10.0 London Relay—"Palace Of Varieties."

Licencee and Manager, Ernest Longstaffe; Harold—Walden (The B.B.C. Centre-forward); G. H. Elliott (The Chocolate-coloured Coat) Kitty (The Comedy Girls); Florence Oldham (Radio's Own); George Robey (The Prime Minister of Mirth); Leon Cortez And His Coster Pals.

The B.B.C. Variety Orchestra conducted by Ernest Longstaffe Chalmers, Herman Darowski.

11.0 Close Down.

AQUA-SHEEN

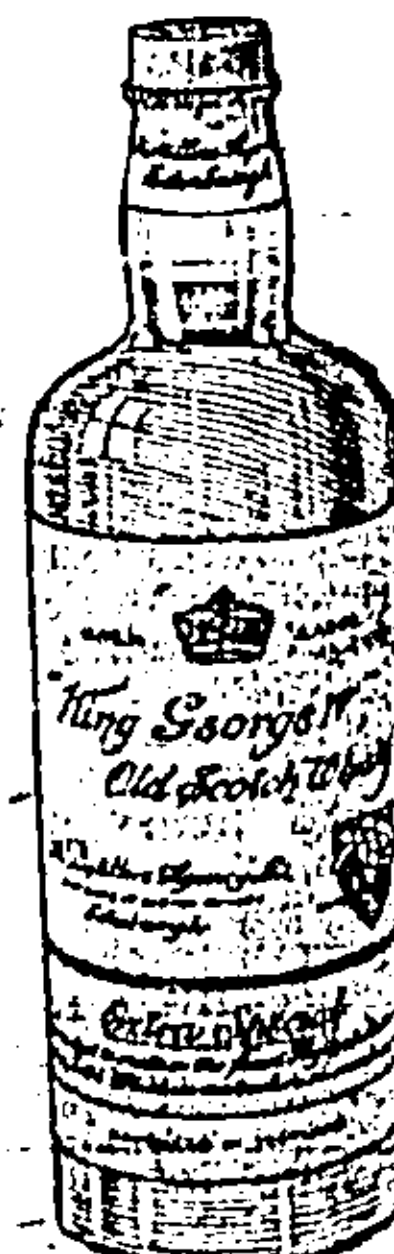
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RUMJAHN COUSINS NOT FULLY TESTED YESTERDAY

Mighty Silkylight Beaten By Desert Chief A POOR SHOW PUT UP BY TRIPLE CROWN WINNER

Two Track Records Broken At Easter Race Meeting

(By "Captain Foster")

After a sequence of four successful outings, the mighty Shanghai pride, Silkylight, owned by Mr. Moller was not only badly beaten by Mr. Eu Tong-sen's Desert Chief, but the champion had also to bow to Mrs. Dunbar's Bear Claw in the major contest, the Easter Stakes, over a mile run last Monday.

The latter astounded every racing expert while Silkylight put up a very poor show. This was one of the main features of the Easter Race Meeting, which was a great success. The racing itself was of a very high standard with plenty of thrills and exciting finishes. The favourites held their own on the first day, but on Monday the dividends were quite good, the best being \$121.60 for a place paid by that great old timer—Racing Boy. He was kindly treated by the weight controller with the lowest impost in the Bow Vista Handicap (second section) and had he reached the touch line first, Racing Boy would have handed out over \$300 for a win. However, I have taken the trouble to segregate the margin of defeats with the following results:

Short Head	3 races
A Head	2 "
A Neck	2 "
Half-a-length	1 "
1 1/2 Lengths	5 "
2 Lengths	6 "
3 Lengths	1 "
Many lengths	1 "

Total 20
It will be observed that 13 events out of an aggregate of 20 were won between a short head to a length and a half while seven were from two lengths onwards.

The grass course was very hard; in fact the thud of the hoofs could be heard at a good distance as the steeds came tearing down the straight and the going was exceptionally fast, with the result that two track records were established. On Saturday Desert Chief set up a new time, namely, 2.05 against 2.08 2/5, for China ponies over a distance from the two mile post, once round and in, whilst on Monday the Australian pony, Strathroy, lowered Saucy Face's mile record of a minute and forty-five seconds by three-fifths of a second. Punters will no doubt be interested to know that Humdrum Eve, who annexed the Deep Bay Handicap "C" class over six furlongs, was carrying 135 lbs. and this chestnut gelding of the stable Lan took 1.20.3/5 to cover the tour of which a note should be kept for the future. While on the subject I made certain references in my last racing notes about Good Morning and Tempest's gallop performed about a fortnight ago, and I gave my vote to Tempest as the winner in the Taiwan Ban Handicap (second section). The result was Golden Cow, Tempest and Ebony Idol, but the second pony paid \$11 for a place and this was not a bad tipping.

The following list shows the successes of the jockeys during the two days of the Easter Meeting:

	1st	2nd	3rd
C. Encarnacao	4	2	2
H. C. Pih	2	4	1
D. Black	2	3	3
B. Proulx	2	1	4
S. C. Liang	2	1	2
S. W. Tang	1	3	—
H. P. Chanon	1	2	—
B. L. Tao	1	1	1
C. L. Gregory	1	1	—
K. I. Ip	1	1	—
F. L. I	1	—	—
V. V. Needa	1	—	—

S. L. Yuen	1	—	—
L. B. Chao	—	1	—
Y. T. Fung	—	—	2
W. Poy	—	—	2
H. de Botelho	—	—	1
C. P. Ferguson	—	—	1

It will be seen that Shanghai crack jockey, Mr. Encarnacao, rode four winners with a couple of second and third places, but Messrs. Pih, Black, Proulx and Liang each scored a double. Contrary to expectation, Mr. H. P. Chanon weighed out three times with a win and a couple of seconds, but Mr. Needa, after piloting King's Privilege to victory in the Roschill Stakes, had to retire feeling unwell. By riding a win on Jobber in the Sugar Loaf Handicap, Mr. Gregory requires another successful mount to emerge from the novice class. Mr. A. F. D. Colson made his debut as a jockey but with no success.

Desert Chief Wins Easily In A Canter

Lowers Record In Mrs Bay H'cap

One of the fastest races to be seen at Happy Valley was in the opening event, the Mrs Bay Handicap, over a course from the two mile post, once round and in, when Desert Chief with the assistance of Mr. Encarnacao romped home first in easy fashion to annex the "A" class contest for China ponies in record time of 2.05, lowering the track figure by three two-fifths seconds. It was certainly an amazing feat, for all the other starters could not follow the pace set by the winner long before the 1/2 mile beacon was reached. At the release of the barrier, Gladiator, who drew No. 1 position, jumped to the front and was immediately followed by Desert Chief with the rest of the field in the rear. After passing the Royal Navy Pavilion, Desert Chief drew level with Gladiator and they were chased by King's Warden and Soldier of Britain. At the bottom of the hill, Desert Chief increased the lead, but the rest of the field were under hard pressure and when the steeds passed "Black Rock," Mr. Eu Tong-sen's candidate was well ahead (going easy) of the pack by two lengths. It could be seen at this stage of the race that King's Warden, Gladiator, Wild Life and others could make no impression on the leader and it was left to Desert Chief to win as he liked. The stallion cantered home with the greatest ease and the verdict awarded was by many lengths in record time of two minutes five seconds for a distance of about one mile 171 yards with a burden of 164 lbs. It is, however, interesting to relate that the last half-a-mile was 56.4/5 seconds and



A composite picture of the Third Extra Race Meeting held at Happy Valley during the Easter holidays last week-end when two new track records were established. Mr. T. E. Pearce is seen at the top right hand corner leading in King's Privilege (Mr. V. V. Needa up) which won the Roschill Stakes. (Photo: Race Pictorial).

Cricket

Barnes Injures His Wrist

London, Apr. 21.
Sidney Barnes, the "baby" of the Australian touring cricket team to England, will have his wrist X-rayed as a break is feared. In any case, he is not likely to play for at least a month.—Reuter.

Barnes hurt his wrist on board ship while indulging in acrobatics on the deck. This was two one-fifth seconds faster than the present record held jointly by Buchanan and Much Aho. The last three-quarters of a mile were covered in 1.24.2/5 as against the record of 1.24.3/5 performed by King's Warden and therefore Desert Chief's figure was one-fifth of a second better. The last mile was run in 1.52.1/5 mile record established by Diana Bay. It will be seen that Desert Chief broke unofficially all the existing track figures from a mile and under. It was undoubtedly a magnificent run for a Derby griffin of this season. I have not been able to ascertain the exact age of Desert Chief, but it is reliably learned that he is quite a young animal.

BETTER CLASS ANIMALS BRED EVERY YEAR

Shown By Records In Big Races

Readers please allow me to sail a bit out of the usual course? There is no denying that every year produces a better class of cross-bred animals and this can be gauged by the wonderful times established, say since 1932. I am not taking Mr. Dunbar's Liberty Bay into consideration, for his pony was a class by himself in his prime with no opposition, but the record of Doctor's Mandate's figure of 2.13.4/5 established in 1932 for a distance over a course from the two mile post, once round and in, (about one mile 171 yards) has been lowered considerably. The following is a list of fastest times taken from the Racing Record issued by the Hong-kong Jockey Club:

Date	Time	Pony	Jockey
23rd Feb. 1932	2.13.4/5	Doctor's Mandate	Mr. Encarnacao
23rd Feb. 1932	2.13.4/5	King's Justice	Mr. Encarnacao
23rd Feb. 1932	2.13.4/5	Riddle	Mr. Encarnacao
23rd March 1932	2.13.4/5	King's Warden	Mr. Encarnacao
27th Feb. 1937	2.08.2/5	Soldier of Britain	Mr. Encarnacao
16th April 1938	2.05.0/5	Desert Chief	Mr. Encarnacao

It will be seen from the above that since 1932 the speed has been gradually accelerating, and then came a sharp decline in the time taken during which King's Warden covered the jaunt in 2.08.2/5 lowering Riddle's time by fully four seconds. There has been a full

STRATHROY FULLY EXTENDED

Beats Courting Eve By Half A Length

The students of form poured out money like water, the bulk of it going on Strathroy (D. Black) to win the Aubrey Handicap for "A" class Australian cobs over a mile. The combination must have given a great shock to many punters when they reached home first by only half-a-length in front of the much improved pony, Courting Eve, and behind came Lancashire Chips who finished a good third. It must be remembered that Strathroy is well advanced in years, but nevertheless Mr. Macgregor's brown gelding set up a new track record for a mile, namely, 1.44.2/5 lowering Saucy Face's time by three-fifths of a second. Strathroy is now the proud possessor of the following distance records:
Five Furlongs carrying 135 lbs. 1.02.2/5
One Mile " " 1.53.3/5
Two Mile post, " " 3.15.3/5
Once round and in, " " 1.53.3/5
1 1/2 miles " " 2.10.3/5
1 3/4 miles " " 2.10.3/5
Mr. D. Black was the pilot in charge for all his outings and the combination is hard to beat.

Cameronian Needs To Be Watched

Wins St. George's Plate Comfortably

I was delighted to see my nomination—Cameronian—capturing the St. George's Plate which was a run over the champion course, for this certainly discounted the impression gained that the animal was only a sprinter. Cameronian had a few pounds to spare when he crossed the wire and a close study of the whole time of 2.28.2/5 revealed some interesting facts. It was the fastest run since the inception of St. George's Plate, it being the first test of handicap event for China ponies griffins of the season. The last mile was negotiated in 1.37.3/5 which was a creditable performance considering that the greenhorn was carrying 100 (Continued on Page 9.)

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since then, for neither Soldier of Britain nor Soldier of Honour could improve on the record time, but last Saturday Desert Chief set up a new figure and the question is: How long is it going to last?

SILKYLIGHT NEVER LOOKED LIKE WINNING

Had To Be Urged In Home Stretch

The main event, the Easter Stakes, was originally run as Easter Plate in 1928 over the Derby course, but the distance was shortened to a mile in 1931 and the re-naming of this classic took place in the same year. In perusing the Racing Records, I found the following winners:

Year	Owner	Pony	Jockey	Time
1928	Mr. L. Dunbar	Copa Roy	Mr. Ho	2.17.4
1929	Mr. Ho	Town Hall	Mr. Ho	2.12.2
1930	Mr. Ho	President Hall	Mr. Ho	2.08.2
1931	Mr. Chan	Glennagles	Mr. Chan	1.57.4
1932	Mr. L. Dunbar	Diana Bay	Mr. Chan	1.55.2
1933	Mr. L. Dunbar	Liberty Bay	Mr. Chan	2.01.2
1934	Mr. L. Dunbar	Liberty Bay	Mr. Chan	1.55.2
1935	Mr. L. Dunbar	Liberty Bay	Mr. Chan	1.53.3
1936	Mr. L. Dunbar	Liberty Bay	Mr. Chan	1.54.3
1937	Mr. L. Dunbar	Liberty Bay	Mr. Chan	1.54.3
1938	Mr. Eu Tong-sen	Desert Chief	Mr. Encarnacao	1.53.2

It will be seen that Mr. and Mrs. L. Dunbar have won the classic events from 1932 to 1937 without a break. It will be recalled that at this time last year Bear Claw (Black) created a sensation when he gave a good thrashing to Happy Eve and King's Warden and the nag paid \$65.40 for a win.

When the Telegraph Board was hoisted on Easter Monday with only three runners for the Easter Stakes, it was noticed that Silkylight (Mr. Proulx) had declared a pound over the document of the lead to be carried, but it came within the weight for inches as per scale. The object of this was that in the event of Silkylight annexing the Easter Stakes in a fast run, it could be established as a record, but the Shanghai pride met his "Waterloo" in Desert Chief, and the northern challenger was also badly beaten by last year's winner—Bear Claw. Much was expected of the triple crown winner, but Mr. Moller's class animal was doomed long before reaching the distance post. Silkylight never appeared to me at any time of the race that he would give Desert Chief a good run, for in the back stretch the former had to be urged to keep pace with Mr. Eu Tong-sen's candidate. Another thing which struck me was that the manner of running the pony was entirely different from what we had been accustomed to see at the February session. In the Easter Stakes the Silkylight challenger took the lead whereas at the Annual Carnival Silkylight was ridden from the back. I wonder whether it would make any difference. At any rate it was a very disappointing display and the pony let the punters down very badly. The race was won by Desert Chief in 1.53.2/5 which was the fastest time over recorded for the Easter Stakes over a mile, but the Stewards could not take due recognition of the feat, owing to the fact that the chestnut stallion was carrying eight pounds of lead under the scale weight. Bear Claw must have been in great form to finish second.

ENTER TENNIS DOUBLE FINAL

GOOD VOLLEYING FEATURES PLAY

(By "Abe")

Because the result of the match was almost certain before play commenced, the semi-final in the Colony Tennis Doubles Championship between the Rumjahn cousins and Luk Ding-cheung and Wong Shiu-wing on the stand court of the Hongkong C.C. yesterday was robbed of much of its interest. It was not a severe test for the holders who realised it better than anybody else; they showed it by playing lackadaisically in the opening games of each set and finally winning in three straight.

When these two pairs met in the same round last year, the Chinese collected eight games. They did better yesterday, taking 13, but the issue, as in the previous match, was

Finals Fixed For Next Week

Provided the replay between Tsui Yun-pui and H. D. Rumjahn in the semi-final is concluded on Monday, the final of the Tennis Singles Championship will be played on Wednesday afternoon, and the final of the doubles on Friday.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, has expressed his intention of being present at both finals. The presentation of prizes will be made at the conclusion of the doubles.

never in doubt. The scores were 6-4, 7-5, 6-4 in favour of the cousins.

Though they must have realised that their chances of causing an upset were not bright, Luk and Wong went about their task admirably, apparently caring little for the reputation of their redoubtable opponents. Helped perhaps by the casual play of the cousins, the C.R.C. combination went into the lead in every set, but each time they were pulled up.

They led 4-2 in the first and second sets, and again they went ahead 4-3 in the third.

SOMETHING IN HAND

The Rumjahns revealed that they always had something in hand by the manner in which they were able to dominate the exchanges whenever they were in danger of losing a set.

In the opening games of every set, however, the Chinese more than held their own in the rallies, some of which were of a very high standard. Play was punctuated by volleying duels near the net, and though they were almost always outplayed, Luk and Wong helped to treat the handful of spectators to some really fine tennis.

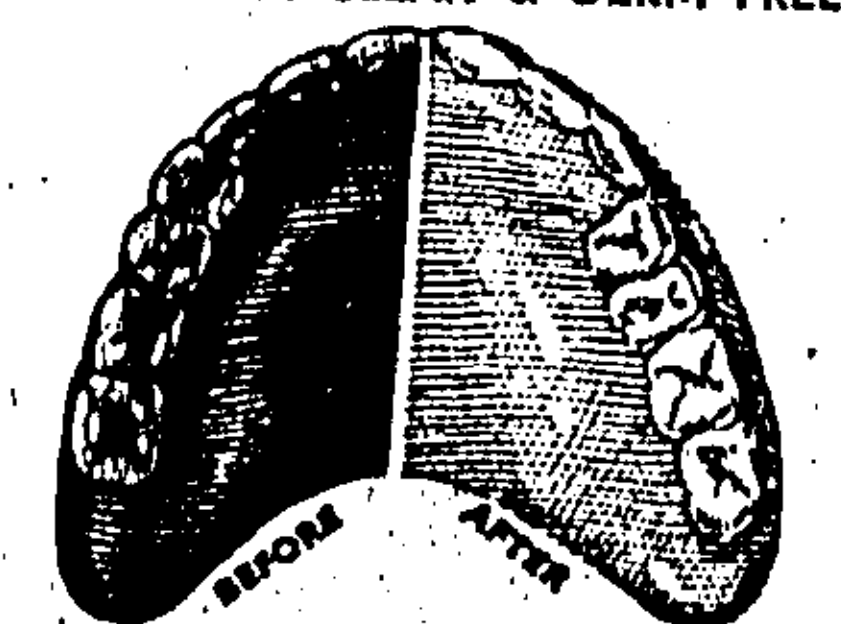
"H.D." showed surprisingly little effect from his gruelling singles match the day before. Except that he was slightly slower on his feet than usual, he was as good as ever. Sidar took upon himself the duties of retrieving the difficult shots.

There was little to choose between Luk and Wong both shone in the volleying duels, but neither was outstanding in ground strokes.

The Rumjahns will now meet the Tsui brothers in the final.

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£70,000 SPENT IN A WEEK OF BIG TRANSFER RUSH

Luton And Chelsea Fail In Bids For Brentford Forwards

By Arbiter (Frank M. Carruthers)

Stricken with fear as to the fate which may befall them, the clubs are pouring out their money on new players. It is a safe estimate that during the past week they have spent over £70,000. The amount, too, is likely to be substantially increased before midnight to-day, when all transfers for the purpose of this season will cease.

There was tremendous activity yesterday. In their state of anxiety Huddersfield hurried to Scotland and persuaded Aberdeen to let them have Mills, the inside left. The fee is not likely to have been less than £6,000.

It is about two years ago when Mills, a player of the build of David Jack, first attracted attention, and the Aberdeen directors refused to consider a succession of offers by English clubs; but Huddersfield stepped in at the right moment.

Liverpool, who are just as critically situated as Huddersfield, also went to Scotland and secured James McInnes, the Third Lanark left half. It is said that he cost them £5,000. McInnes is a university student, and there is a clause in his contract that he must be allowed to continue his studies at Liverpool University.

PLAYER SAID "NO"

But there were more disappointments than successes in the day's work.

Luton, I understand, made their record bid for Scott, the Brentford forward, but when the terms had been agreed between the clubs the player, as in the case of Holliday a short time ago, refused to move.

Since they transferred Payne, Luton urgently require an inside forward, and they have other irons in the fire. Last night a director of the club left for Newcastle and it is expected that he will sign on Connolly to-day. In this case, too, the fee has been fixed.

Chelsea's first approach for an outside left was for Osman of Southampton, but they were at once informed that the player would not be transferred. I believe the Arsenal received the same reply.

Mr. Leslie Knighton, the Chelsea manager, went to Belfast last night, having previously sounded Brentford as to the possibility of their releasing Reid, their Scottish international wing forward. I am told that there is no chance of this transfer taking place.

KEPT IN GAME

This flow of money is of course only from club to club. It remains within the game. This was the wise precaution taken by the originators of the transfer system. They foresaw the danger of allowing players to be bought and sold for money-making purposes.

I think, too, that the money which has been spent has been provided by the clubs out of their own reserves. Instead, as has too often been the case, of being obtained on loan.

This reflects the prosperity of the game. I believe the clubs to be more prosperous to-day than ever before. It is a time only of big gates but of big profits.

Souring transfer fees, in fact, enable clubs to become rich with the speed of the successful speculator. Sunderland, for instance, have received about £17,000 from fees for McNab, McDowall, and Clark, and with all the money they have earned through the Cup their profit for the season may amount to as much as

£25,000. I believe that would be a record for a provincial club.

THE NEW IDEA

I am told that when the transfer system was planned the fee was intended simply to compensate a club for the loss of a player.

This may still be the principle, but commercialism has gone so far in the game that a few years hence the system is likely to be developed as a business. It has, too, most attractive possibilities.

The way in which it may be done has already been shown. Instead of maintaining a staff of about 30 players clubs will engage three or four times this number and put them out for development among junior teams. From this array of talent they will satisfy their own needs and beyond this dispose of those who remain.

A TRICKY POINT

I saw an unusual incident involving a point of law in the Coventry City-Aston Villa match.

A free kick had been awarded the Villa. As it was about to be taken a Villa man pushed away with both hands on opponent covering him. It was a foul beyond all doubt. How should it have been dealt with—by cancelling the first free kick and instead giving one to Coventry City?

The referee admonished the offending Villa player and ordered the original free kick to be taken. I think the decision was correct. This is confirmed by an official ruling some time ago. In this case the query concerned a goal kick and a foul by a defending player in the penalty area.

The question was: Should a penalty kick be awarded? The official answer was: "The offending player should be admonished and the goal kick then taken."

OUR GUIDE TO THE CINEMAS

"Double Wedding" (King's Theatre, to-day).—This picture does not make sense for a single instant, but who cares about sense anyway when we have love favorites like William Powell and Myrna Loy back with us again? There is a faint suggestion of grown-ups dressing up and playing a rowdy game to amuse us, but it is good, rough fun and guaranteed to be entertaining. All the ingredients of a good comedy, including word-slinging and face-slapping, have been incorporated. It is a swell film.

"Mad About Music" (Queen's Theatre, to-day).—The little girl who became Hongkong's most popular film star, is back once more in a picture calculated to charm and captivate all who see it. In this film, she gives further evidence of her wonderful personality. A fine supporting cast which includes Herbert Marshall, Gail Patrick, Arthur Treacher and William Frawley help the show along.

"Ever Since Eve" (Alhambra Theatre, to-day).—Return of one of the best comedies shown on the local screen recently. Robert Montgomery and Marion Davies are the chief characters, but others like Frank McHugh, Patsy Kelly and Allen Jenkins also provide their quota of laughs.

"Flight for Your Lady" (Oriental Theatre, to-day).—Jack Oakie nowadays is a guarantee by himself of a good show. Here he has John Boles, Ida Lupino and Margot Graham to help him.

"Married Before Breakfast" (Majestic Theatre, to-day).—A crazy picture but quite an entertaining one. It starts and ends at a breakfast puce. Robert Young and Florence Rice are featured. Myra, Roby and Harry are an added attraction on the stage.

CAMERONIAN NEEDS TO BE WATCHED

(Continued from Page 8.)

lbs. and it must be borne in mind that the steed was not hard pressed to do it. However, we shall all know more of Cameronian before the laddle is sent out to graze, but in the meantime keep an eye on this boy gelding. It was a coincidence that the last Chinese owner to win the St. George's Plate was Mr. Eu Tong-sen in 1935. And Cameronian has given to the owner three beautiful souvenirs, the American Club Cup, the Lusitano Cup and the St. George's Plate.



Sidney Barnes, shown above, the New South Wales all-rounder and "baby" of the Australian cricket team now in England, has had the misfortune to injure his wrist on board ship while indulging in aerobatics. His wrist is now being X-rayed as a break is feared.

THREAT TO INTRODUCE PROFESSIONAL RUGBY TO SWANSEA

(By Geoffrey Simpson)

London, Mar. 16.

A threat to introduce professional Rugby League football in Swansea, which for fifty years or more has been a stronghold of amateur Rugby, is being made by an influential committee of the town's business men.

This is their reply to the Welsh Rugby Union's proposal not to use the famous St. Helen's ground, Swansea, for further international matches, but to convert Cardiff Arms Park into a Welsh Twickenham.

Swansea's business men are just as much upset by the threatened breakaway from Swansea as are the town's Rugby followers. The committee which has been formed has told the Welsh Union that international matches bring big business to Swansea. Hotels, restaurants, the brewers, and many others all benefit.

Swansea cannot afford the loss of revenue which is brought into the town by thousands of visitors on international match days. The committee has therefore warned the Welsh R.U. that if the amateur game deserts Swansea they will be bound to support the introduction of the Rugby League code.

CLOSING THE GAP

The St. Helen's ground is regularly used by the Swansea Rugby club, but so poor is the support given to it that it is more a liability than an asset to the town. The Swansea club, in fact, is over £6,000 in debt, and a great amount of that is owing to the Swansea Corporation, owners of the ground.

Minus the compensation of international games, the Corporation will have to think seriously about granting further support to the Swansea club.

That is where the business men's committee mean to step in with their proposal to start a Rugby League team. They claim that visits from such professional clubs as Hull, Leeds, and Wigan, plus international games with England and France, will close the gap created by the withdrawal of amateur internationals.

HARD PRESSED

It would be sad indeed if the Swansea Rugby club with its fine



Herbert Marshall, handsome star, appears with Desana Durbin in Universal's "Mad About Music," opening at the Queen's Theatre to-day.

FIELDSMAN'S PRIZE A BENEFIT TO GAME

London. A prize for the best fieldsmen in cricket has been awarded for several seasons now by the Hartshead Moot C.C. in Yorkshire, with great benefit to their cricket.

Their system is to hand a card and envelope to the umpire, or a spectator with some knowledge of the game. He is invited to write on the card after the game the name of the smartest fieldsmen. The votes are then sealed and kept until the end of the season, when they are counted and the prize awarded.

The idea is worth copying, as a means of encouraging the often neglected art of fielding, which can, and often does, win matches.—Reuter.

Macao Surprise At Accusation

Colony Has Not Deviated From Neutrality

Macao, Apr. 20.

Not a little surprise is felt in Macao at the statement made by a Japanese spokesman in Shanghai to the effect that a number of armed Chinese junkies and speed boats are using Portuguese waters as bases for raids on Japanese warships.

The Voz de Macao, the Macao Portuguese daily, states emphatically that the news is without foundation. It is incredible, says the paper, that any insinuation should be made against Macao's neutrality in the conflict between the Japanese and the Chinese, a neutrality which the Portuguese have maintained so loyally. The paper expresses astonishment that anyone should suggest that the Portuguese authorities would permit operations that might disturb the peace and quiet that exists in the colony.

The Chinese press state that no incidents of the nature mentioned in the statement of the Japanese spokesman have occurred, and that the Chinese have always respected Portuguese neutrality. The only attacks made on the Japanese in South China have been those carried out in San Cho Island where the villagers, driven to despair by the atrocities and outrages of the Japanese invaders of the island, are known to have risen in revolt and killed not a few Japanese on two or three occasions.—Our Own Correspondent.

TROUSERS AND \$100 RETRIEVED

Montreal. Bennie Skrovanek has a strong affection for his trousers. When fire broke out in Benny's home, he was forced to flee without his trousers. The day after the fire he got an axe and chopped away at the ice-covered debris until he found his trousers—with \$100 in a pocket.



Florence Rice and John Beal appear in support of William Powell and Myrna Loy in "Double Wedding," showing at the King's Theatre to-day.

PROBABLE STARTERS

Horses Entered For The Two Thousand Guineas

London, Apr. 21.

The following are the probable starters and jockeys for the Two Thousand Guineas:

Magi Circle (Maher), Pound Foolish (Jones), Ramtapa (Weston), Caerlepton (Lane), Pactolus (Nevitt), The Wain (Evans), Paris (E. Smith), Rufino (Bradley), Tahir (Smirke), Khan Bahadur (D. Smith), Mirza (Harry Wong), Golden Eagle (Marshall), Pasch (Gordon Richards), Lohengrin (Beary), Scottish Union (Carrs), Port Marnock (Bensley), Unbreakable (Sirett).

Other probable starters without jockeys are Tyrant, Cavemay, Eldon Hill, Campton, Glenloach, Scaraben, Jubilee Day, Bland Star, Seventh Wonder, Berwick.—Reuter.

WELTERWEIGHT TITLE

Ross To Meet Armstrong At Garden Bowl

New York, April 20.

The bout for the title of world's welterweight champion between Barney Ross, holder, and Henry Armstrong, the Negro whirlwind, which was arranged for May 20, will be fought at the Garden Bowl. This announcement was made by the Twentieth Century promoting company.—United Press.

The winner of this bout will meet Lou Ambers, lightweight champion of the world, at a later date. If Armstrong wins he will challenge Ambers for the lightweight title, but if Ross successfully defends his title, he will be called upon to defend it against Ambers.

HOCKEY POSTPONED

The replay of the final of the Small Units Hockey Competition between 3rd Medium Battery, H.K.S. R.A., and H. Q. Wing, 1st. Middlesex Regiment, scheduled to be played yesterday, was postponed.



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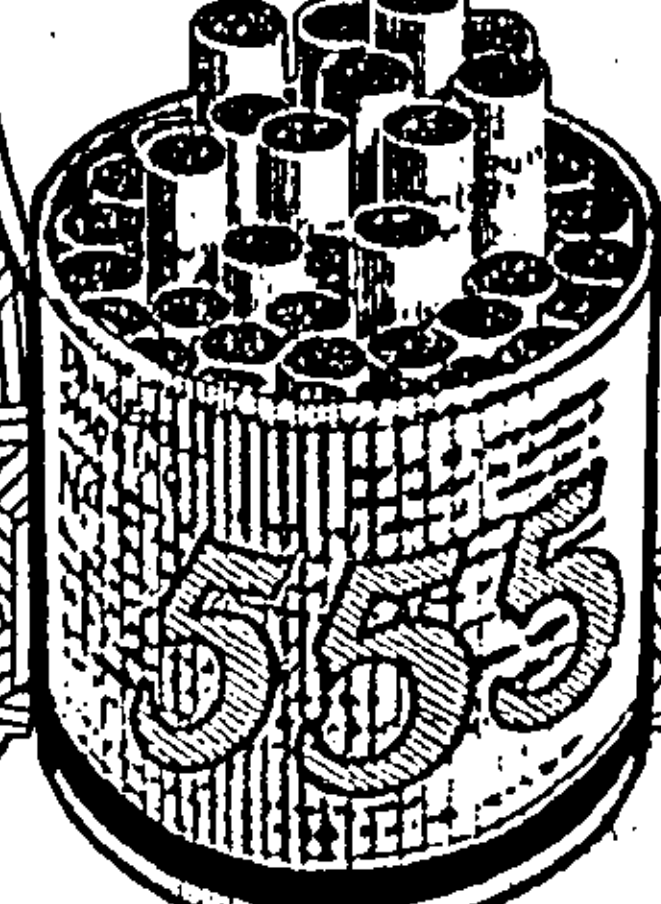
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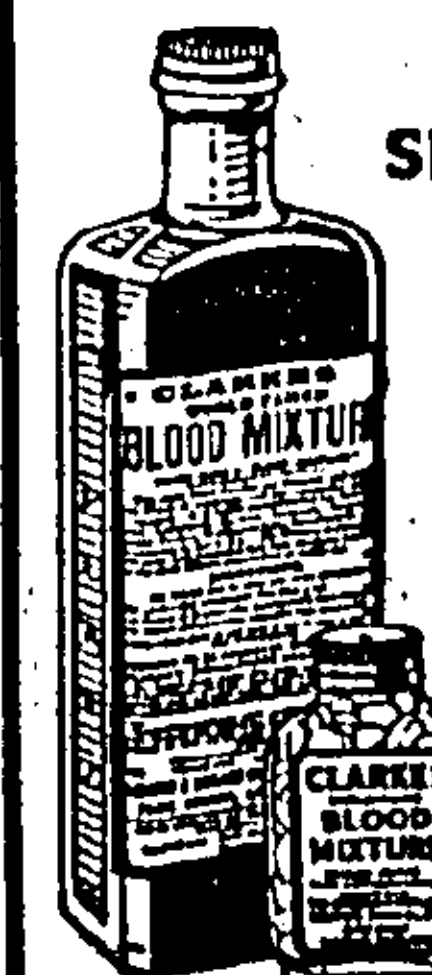


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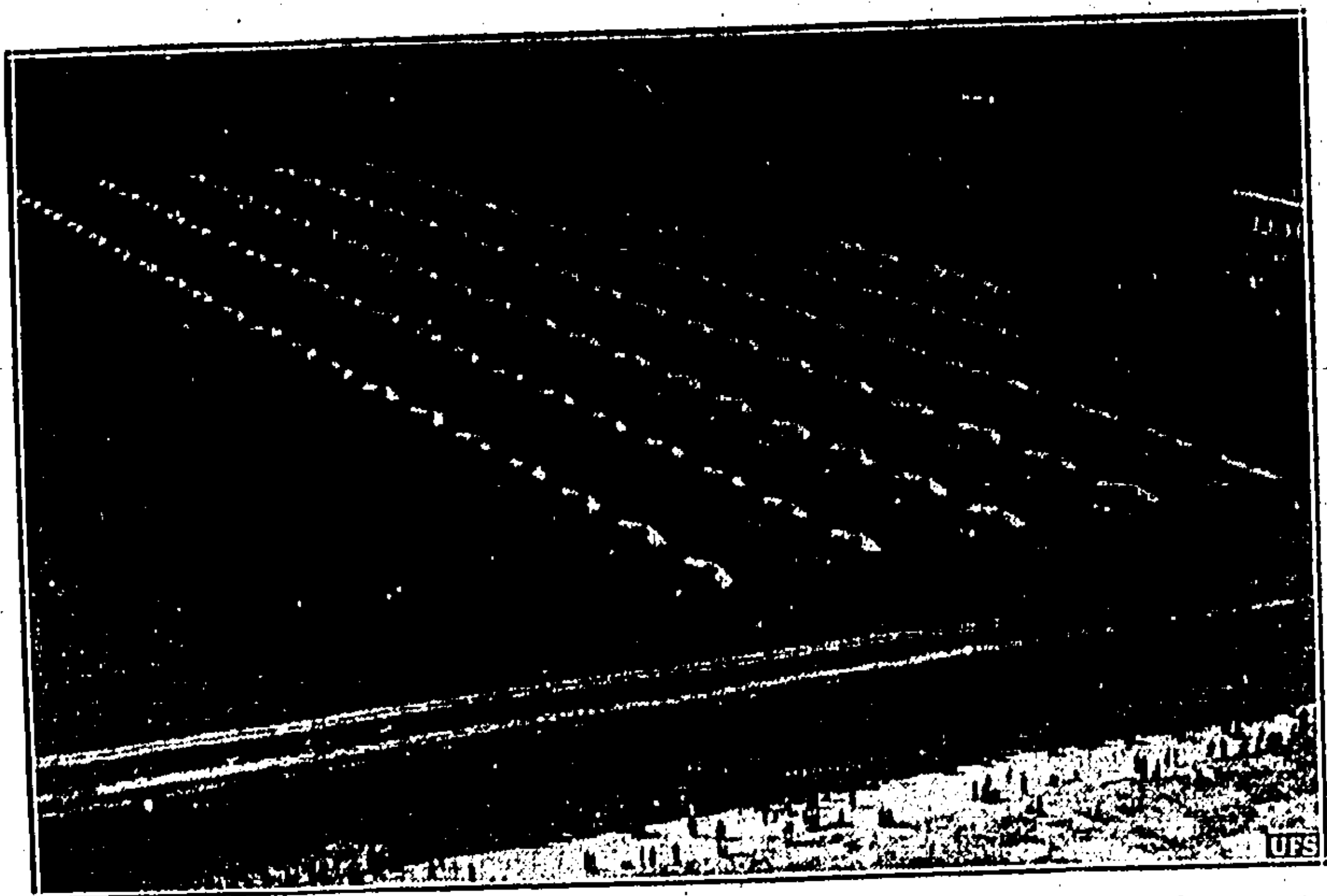
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POLISH PLANES—These planes, drawn up for review at the Mokotow Airframe near Warsaw, are part of the Polish army's resources. Military training for every able-bodied man, on reaching the age of 21, has been compulsory in Poland. Service in the active army has been followed by 18 years in the reserve. The air personnel is about 8,000 officers and men.



GERMANY URGES RESTRAINT—German government warned Poland not to press the Lithuanian issue to a point where force would be necessary, although diplomatic relations between Poland and Germany had been believed fostered by the recent visit to Warsaw of Field Marshal Hermann Goering, shown left, with Colonel Josef Beck, Polish Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Russians Rescued After 1,000-Mile Drift



ARCTIC RESCUE—While the world waited for news, a dramatic battle was fought with Arctic currents, winds and storms to rescue the four Russian scientists, Ivan Papanin, Ernest Krenkel, Eugene Federoff and Fytor Shirafoff, from their perilous position on a drifting ice floe. Eventually the icebreakers Murman and Talmyr succeeded in reaching them and they and their scientific records and equipment were saved. During eight months of work and three weeks of danger, the party drifted 1,000 miles.

Here are rescue scenes. Top, the camp on the floe. Centre left, Lender Papanin, right, meets Cannady Vlasov, first aviator from the icebreakers to reach the camp. Centre right, Krenkel sends the camp's radio equipment over the ice to a rescue ship. Lower left, digging equipment out of the deep snow. Lower right, planes of the Talmir being assembled on the ice, preparatory to scouting trips to locate the party. The furious gale on Jan. 21 broke the floe, leaving the camp on a small ice island.



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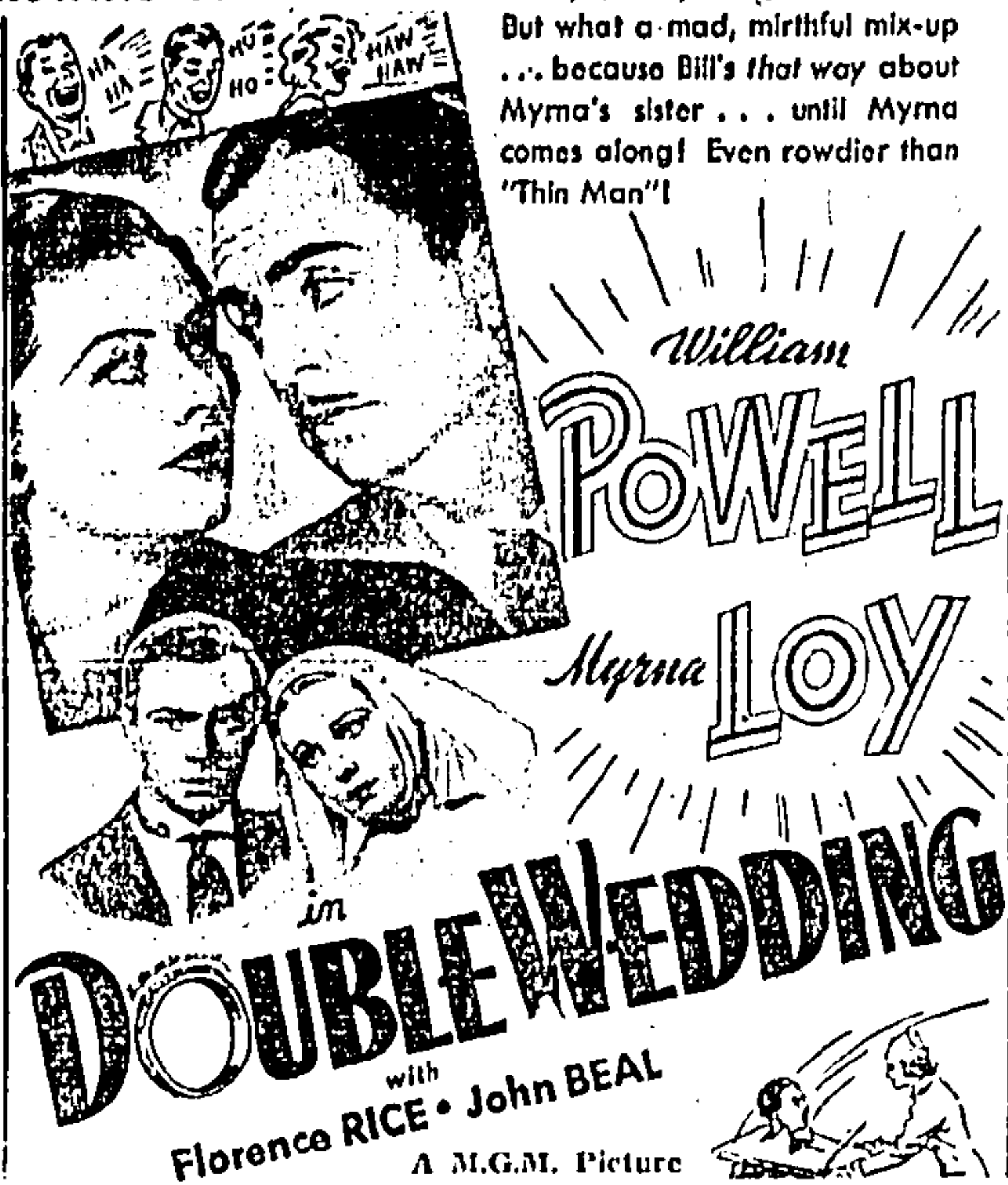
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Darwin As Link In British Air Strategy In Far East

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PLANS FOR CLOSE co-operation between the Royal Air Force Far Eastern Command and the Australian Command have been prepared.

These two commands are becoming the most important in the Empire, each having a projected establishment of at least 200 first-line planes.

Following the Government's decision to expedite the work on the Royal Australian Air Force station at Darwin, the Australian Air Board will give still closer attention to the strategic triangle bounded by Hongkong, Singapore and Darwin.

This will entail a close liaison between the two long-range bomber and reconnaissance squadrons to be stationed at Darwin and the R.A.F. flying-boat squadron at Singapore and other R.A.F. long-range squadrons to be based in Sarawak and British North Borneo.

INTER-COMMAND FLIGHTS Inter-command flights are now held regularly between air units of the north-west frontier and Singapore. They are part of the Empire scheme which will render possible in emergency the concentration of at least 500 war planes in the Singapore area within a few days. Reinforcement squadrons will move eastward through a chain of bases reaching from Britain to Malta, Egypt, Transjordan, and India.

The new Darwin base will link Australia to this system, which is greater and strategically more valuable than that possessed by any other Power.

The inter-command flights provide an essential test of the air arm's ability to move reinforcements over long distances to any threatened area. They also provide pilots and observers with a knowledge of areas over which they may be called on to operate in time of war, and generally facilitate the interchange of information and experience between personnel. They are also a test for ground organisation and the capacity to refuel squadrons of various types of aircraft.

The workshops and all reserves at the new Darwin station will be designed to repair and refuel aircraft of both the R.A.F. and the R.A.A.F., which may use Darwin as a base in an emergency.

JAPAN'S ENVOY TO CHINA



SHIGERU KAWAGOE, Japanese Ambassador to China, who is considered one of the most astute students of political conditions in the Far East, photographed outside General Matsui's headquarters in Shanghai.

STOP PRESS NEWS

Star Ferry Services Speeded Up

In accordance with a recent request submitted by the Kowloon Residents' Association, the Star Ferry Coy., Ltd. announces that as from to-day, it is extending its five minute service of ferries as follows: From Kowloon: 4.30 to 6.10 p.m. and from 7.05 to 7.50 p.m.; from Hongkong: 4.35 to 6.15 p.m. and from 7.00 to 7.55 p.m.

Police Regain Jewel Haul; Hold Suspect

Smart work on the part of the Police has resulted in the recovery of practically all of the valuable jewellery stolen from Ledwell's Bungalow, Sheung Shui, last Sunday. One man has been arrested, and will appear in Court to-day on charges in connection with the robbery.

JAPANESE WARSHIPS OFF FOCHOW

Fochow, April 22. Several Japanese warships arrived off the coast here recently. They have so far remained inactive. On April 19, a large Japanese war vessel dropped anchor just outside here. There are seven Japanese warships near Kinoh Island east of Amoy.—Central News.

MR. F. L. RAPLEY DIES ON VOYAGE HOME

To those who bade him farewell as recently as March 8, as well as numerous friends in many spheres of life in the Colony, the news, received by cable this morning, of the sudden death of Mr. Frederick Louis Rapley of the Hongkong & South China Gas Co., Ltd., will come as a profound shock.

Though Mr. Rapley had stated that ill health was the motive for his departure for Home on sick leave by the steamship Nagara, he had joyfully taken part a few nights before at a farewell gathering of which he was the central figure. Yet before the ship reached Home and while it was in the vicinity of Amoy, Mr. Rapley passed away at the still early age of 40 years. With him were his wife and daughter on the voyage.

News of the death was received in Hongkong this morning by friends, the Swedish East Asiatic Company of which Messrs. Gilman's are the agents, not having yet received the information.

CAME OUT IN 1928

Mr. Rapley came from Ilford and was employed in the London office of the Hongkong & China Gas Co., Ltd. before, in 1928, he came to this Colony as assistant accountant. He soon established himself as a very popular figure in local club life, joining the Kowloon Bowling Green Club to whose Committee he was elected a year later. He also was a member of the Zealand Lodge No. 525 English Constitution and, for a time, of the Engineers' Institute.

His main interest, however, soon centred in bowls and therefore in the K.B.C.C., in which he had served on Committee continuously since 1929 and for one term as President.

His farewell party was an enthusiastic gathering of some sixty members who, with others, had subscribed for two Tibetan carpets. Mr. Rapley, in thanking them, said he was going Home with feelings of optimism.

Sympathy will be extended to his wife and daughter both of whom had many friends in the Colony.

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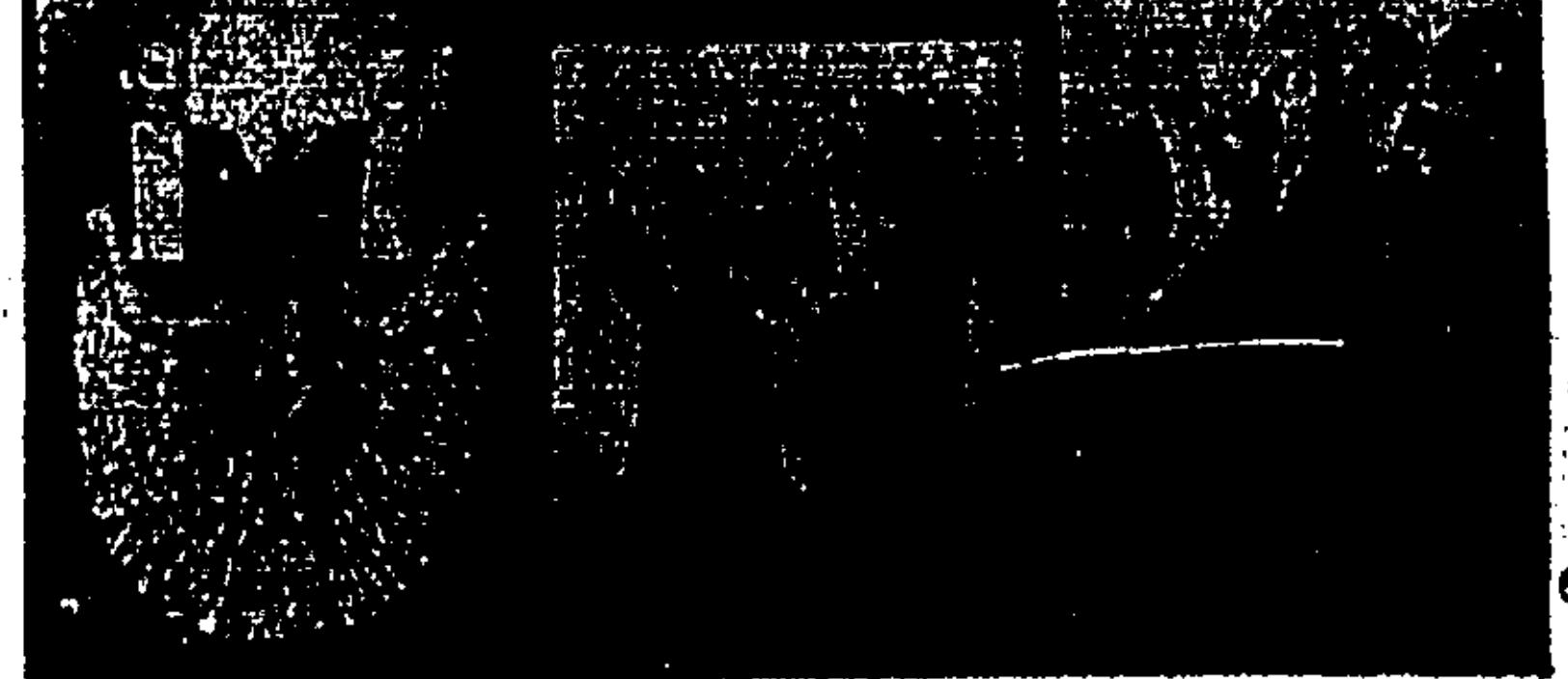


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Shantung Fighting Lines Unchanged

Hankow, Apr. 22.

The Shantung fighting front is unchanged. The Chinese are forming a new line six kilometres behind Linyi, and mobile reinforcements are going to the front.

The Chinese intend to avoid positional battles, and will reply to Japanese pressure with mobile column tactics.

South of the Yangtse, the Chinese are stated to be attacking Hsuanchen, near Wuhu, and 2,000 Japanese are reported to have been rushed to defend the city.—*Reuter*.

Chinese Endangered

Peking, Apr. 22.
A Japanese spokesman said today: "I am not allowed to announce anything."
The spokesman stated that the Japanese garrison at Pinglu, on the north bank of the Yellow River, 40 miles east of Tungkuang, on April 18 repulsed 1,000 Chinese attackers, killing 250.—*United Press*.

Mass For Critical Battle

Hankow, Apr. 22.
Chinese troops are pouring into the Linyi area day and night for a gigantic effort to stem the Japanese drive. In their preparations for a forthcoming major engagement the Chinese command is making the heaviest concentrations since the start of the hostilities, exceeding the number of men used in the defence of Shanghai last year.

The coming battle is generally described by the Chinese as "Japan's final effort to subdue Chinese armed resistance."
The Chinese forces are taking up positions five and six kilometres from Linyi, forming a semi-circle.

Meanwhile the crack Kwangsi divisions are making a rapid march for an undisclosed destination in for (Continued on Page 4.)

China Fleet Expected To Use Base At Weihaiwei

His Excellency Sir Percy Noble, Commander-in-Chief of the China Squadron, arrived in Hongkong shortly after 1 p.m. today in his flagship, H.M.S. Cumberland.

It is believed that the Commander-in-Chief, who has been in North China for the past fortnight, will announce his decision this week regarding the disposition of the Fleet during the forthcoming summer months.

The Telegraph understands that the Fleet will probably leave Hongkong waters early in June, and while official quarters are reticent, it seems almost certain that Weihaiwei will be chosen as the summer base, as in former years.

Although Britain surrendered the Weihaiwei lease to China in 1930, certain rights are still retained with respect to the Island of Lukungtao and despite Japanese occupation of the Weihaiwei territory it is believed that the Commander-in-Chief intends to exercise these rights this year.

Since reversion of the lease, Weihaiwei has been administered by a Chinese Administrator. Chinese officials came to Hongkong when the territory was seized by the Japanese in 1937, and the British Consul is now acting on behalf of the Chinese in that territory.

JAPANESE START HUGE OFFENSIVE

Hankow, Apr. 22.

Japanese forces from Linyi and Ishien have now formed a junction, and have started a colossal drive southward, converging on Talerchwang.

It is estimated that 200,000 men are involved, and the Chinese are fighting furiously. They claim to be holding their ground.—*Reuter*.

KAI TAK BUSY IN SPITE OF WEATHER

Six Planes In And Out To-day

Low-lying clouds and showery, squally weather are not affecting air services at Kai Tak Airport, and six planes are scheduled to arrive and depart from Hongkong to-day.

Imperial Airways' Daedalus, carrying air mail to England and Australia, departed at 6 a.m. and was followed an hour later by the Eurasia plane for Hankow and Chungking.

The C.M.A.C. plane from Hankow was scheduled to arrive at 2 p.m. and will be followed at 3.30 p.m. by the Philippines Clipper from Alameda, California.

The Imperial Airways liner Dorado is scheduled to arrive from Bangkok at 5 p.m., bringing mail from Australia and Europe, and two passengers, Messrs. C. S. Sale and T. Hirakawa, from London.

Arrival and departure of six planes in one day by no means constitutes a record for Kai Tak which, as the Croydon Junction of the East, has become one of the world's busiest airports.

Last Friday, for instance, no less than nine commercial planes took off or landed at the Hongkong airport.

STOP PRESS NEWS ON PAGE 12

GUNMEN KIDNAP OFFICIAL

Daring Coup In Shanghai

Shanghai, April 22.
Three gunmen in a black sedan car have kidnapped Mr. Woo Ching-yang, Chinese businessman, and allegedly a member of the Japanese Shanghai Citizens' Federation.

Two gunmen left the car near Mr. Woo's home, and ordered him, at the point of pistols, to enter the car, after which they drove off.

It is noteworthy that Mr. Woo is not considered wealthy, and because of this the police suspect a political motive behind the kidnapping.—*United Press*.

WAGE CASE JUDGMENT REVERSED

CHINA EMPORIUM'S POSITION VINDICATED

Judgment with costs was given for the China Emporium, Ltd., by the Puisse Judge, Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell, at the Summary Court this morning, at the conclusion of the review of the case brought by the Company against his Lordship's previous decision in awarding a former employee, Cheng Pk-sun, \$465.45 claimed as balance of wage due.

According to plaintiff, the claim was for 20 per cent. of his wages from August 10, 1934, to August 31, 1935, which was retained by the Company on condition that it would be returned if and when profits were made. The Company had since made profits, and he was entitled to repayment, he alleged.

At previous hearings, it was stated that this was in the nature of a test case, and involved a sum of \$40,000. Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., instructed by Mr. M. W. Lo, appeared for the defendant Company, while Mr. W. A. Mackinlay, of Messrs. Deacons, appeared for plaintiff.

Before recalling Cheng this morning, his Lordship said that he only recalled him to clear up the meaning of the word "profit" and if it had not been for that ground, he would not have granted the review at all. Cheng, asked by his Lordship to repeat what Mr. Chan, the Manager of the Company, had said to the departmental heads, of which he was one, at the meeting on August 10, 1934, said that Mr. Chan then said "at the present time, owing to the world depression, the Company temporarily deducts and retains 20 per cent. of the employees salary, but if the Company should improve its business somewhat in the future, you will be refunded in the first instance." Mr. Chan read from a paper he held in his hand. Plaintiff said he could not remember whether Mr. Chan had said whether decision it was to impose the deduction. Asked whether it was (Continued on Page 4.)

BROADBENT LANDS AT NICOSIA

London, Apr. 21.
H. F. Broadbent, who left Port Darwin at 9.30 p.m. GMT on Sunday in an attempt to break Joan Batton's record for an Australia-England flight, to succeed in which he must reach England before 10.45 a.m. GMT on Saturday, landed at Nicosia at 4.45 p.m. local time. Press messages state he will resume his flight to-morrow morning.—*British Wireless*.

PLAYED PART IN VICTORY



These officers played a prominent part in the victory at Talerchwang. General Pei Chung-hsi, pointing out a map position, is a Kwangsi strategist of great ability and was largely responsible for the Talerchwang successes. He and General Li Chung-jen, another Kwangsi soldier, have distinguished themselves in this part of the war zone.—*Photo Albert A. Kahn*.

POWERFUL CRUISER ARRIVES ON H.K. STATION TO-MORROW

H.M.S. Birmingham, the first cruiser in the world to be especially equipped to combat air raiders, will arrive in Hongkong at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

This £1,250,000 warship, which was launched by Lady Chamberlain on September 1, 1936, is said to be the last word in cruiser construction. She carries greater anti-aircraft armament than any other cruiser in the world, and is one of six Southampton class ships built in 1936-37 in reply to the Japanese Mogami type.

Birmingham carries a main armament of twelve 6-inch guns mounted in four triple turrets. Anti-aircraft armament consists of eight 4-inch high-altitude anti-aircraft guns, two sets of multi-barrelled pom-pom guns and a number of multiple machine-guns.

Capable of 32 knots, the cruiser carries 32 anti-aircraft guns. One of these is stowed on the launching catapult and the other two are housed in hangars on either side of the foremast funnel.

The design of this type of cruiser was evolved by the Admiralty in 1933, when it was found necessary to provide for the building of large and more powerful cruisers for the British Navy because of the size of the cruisers being built or projected elsewhere.

The Birmingham left Portsmouth for Hongkong on February 1 and ordinarily would have arrived here early last month. She remained in Singapore, however, for manoeuvres and since these ended had been in Straits waters.

Officers aboard H.M.S. Birmingham are: Capt. E. J. P. Brind, C.M.D., D.M. Lees, Lt. Cdr. J. P. de W. Kitchin (Gunners Officer), Lt. Cdr. J. W. T. Halliday, Lt. Cdr. H. Norman (Torpedo Officer), Lt. Cdr. J. H. Dathan, Cdr. (E) S. Brown, Surg. Cdr. A. de B. Joyce, Paym. Cdr. E. N. R. Fletcher.

WARSHIP MOVEMENTS

Considerable activity in British naval circles is reported this week. In addition to the arrival of H.M.S. Birmingham (Continued on Page 4.)

Japan's Hand Seen In Kailan Mines Strike

Peiping, Apr. 22.

There are no reports of progress in the Kailan Mining Administration strike, except that foreign contacts with the situation are increasingly convinced of a Japanese intrigue at Beijing to rupture the recent tentative agreement, and that a recrudescence of the trouble might occur over the week-end.—*United Press*.

VISCOUNT HALIFAX IN YORKSHIRE

London, Apr. 21.
The Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, who is staying in Yorkshire, is expected back at the Foreign Office towards the end of the present week.—*British Wireless*.

Insurgents Aim Swift Blows At Madrid

FRONT LINES FALL BUT LOYALISTS IN NO GREAT DANGER

Bombers Continue Raids On Communications

Hendaye, Apr. 21.

Insurgents, driving from University City along the Paseo de Rosales, are reported to be within half a mile of the centre of Madrid, after bisecting the Loyalist front lines on the outskirts.

However, the Montana Barracks has been converted into a virtual fortress and has blocked the way to Puerto de Sol.

Meanwhile, Insurgent planes bombed the eastern coast and also proceeded inland, where they destroyed the Puigcerdia railway station, killed 15 people, and from thence went eastward, demolishing ten miles of railway track.

No America's Cup Challenge For Long Time

Southampton, Apr. 21.

Mr. T. O. M. Sopwith, British millionaire yachtsman, predicted today that it would be many years before Britain re-challenges for the America's Cup.

He drew attention to the fact that Ranger beat Endeavour in four straight races last summer, and added: "Until I can give them a real race, I will not challenge."—*United Press*.

SIR HENRY NEWBOLT MOURNED

Noted Poet And Naval Historian

London, April 21.

The newspapers paid tributes to Sir Henry Newbolt, poet, professor of literature, and official naval historian of the Great War, who has died, aged 75.—*British Wireless*.

Sir Henry John Newbolt, poet and historian of the Navy, was born in June, 1862, at Bilston, Staffordshire, of which his father was vicar. Educated at Clifton College and Corpus Christi College, Oxford, where he took a first in classics, Sir Henry was called to the Bar at Lincoln's Inn in 1887. His inclinations were, however, towards literature and, although he practised as a barrister until 1897, a great part of his time was devoted to writing.

In 1902 he published "Taken from the Enemy" and three years later the tragedy "Mordred", but it was not until "Admirals All", a volume of stirring verse on naval themes, made its appearance in 1907 that his work attracted attention. The book was so successful that he decided to drop the law entirely for literature.

In 1900 he founded the Monthly Review and for four years edited it. He also wrote "The Island Race", "Stories from Froissart", "The Sail of the Longships", "Songs of the Sea", "The Year of Trafalgar", "Songs of Memory and Hope", "Songs of the Fleet" and many other compositions which showed his passionate love of the sea and his ability to express it with poetic charm.

During the World War Sir Henry was Controller of Wireless and Cables and was knighted in 1915. He was afterwards chairman of the Departmental Committee on English in National Education and in 1922 was created a Companion of Honour. A year later he was appointed Official Naval Historian. Among the works which he wrote during and after the war were "Tales of the Great War", "The Book of the Happy

The Loyalists have admitted heavy pressure at Madrid and also on the Catalan front, particularly south of Tarragona and on the Tortosa and Benicarlo sectors.

Insurgents, over the Radio Nacional announced that they had captured, after hand-to-hand fighting, the Loyalist front line entrenchments at Madrid.

In the Balaguer sector, the Loyalists reported that they continued to counter-attack in an effort to recapture the electric power stations. A Madrid message says that the General Staff of the Loyalists reports that insurgent activity on the Madrid front has been "insignificant", and that things are normal.—*United Press*.

TENANT ORDERED TO LEAVE

Cannot Find Another Place For School, He Pleads, But Plaintiff Upheld

Two claims for the recovery of his premises, together with mesne profits from his tenants, brought by the owner of the property, Mr. Antonio Faustino Xavier, were mentioned before the Puisse Judge, Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell, at the weekly calling over of cases at the Summary Court this morning.

The first was brought against Chow Kung-chow, of 481 Nathan Road, ground floor.

Mr. F. X. d'Almada, Jr., appearing on behalf of Mr. Xavier, said that Chow had rented the premises at \$35 per month, and a month's notice to quit was served on him on February 25.

Defendant agreed that he had received notice to quit, but claimed that he called on Mr. Xavier after its receipt and asked him to allow him to stay on, and Mr. Xavier told him that he could stay on if he paid up his arrears in rent, and defendant had done so.

Mr. d'Almada replied that he had no notice of the fact. He had heard from plaintiff that rent had been paid, but plaintiff had given defendant notice to quit without prejudice to the rent received. Counsel remarked that defendant had given plaintiff much trouble over the rent.

The hearing was adjourned for Mr. (Continued on Page 4.)

Warrior", "Submarine and Anti-Submarine", "The Book of the Long Trial", and "A Naval History of the War", and "The Universities of Oxford, Cambridge, St. Andrews, Glasgow, Sheffield, Bristol, and Toronto conferred honorary degrees upon him. He was Vice-President of the Navy Records Society and of the Royal Society of Literature and in 1928 was appointed a trustee of the National Portrait Gallery.

After Lunch 1938

afternoons



GENERAL trend: Elegance, fluid skirts, fitted tops. A lot of movement when you walk. Not quite a frou-frou, but you wait. Note typical lines for afternoon and evening from the sketches:

1. Bi-coloured dresses — printed in front; or vice versa. Or just two colours, one for the front elevation and one for the back. In the Rochas example the front is black wool, the back silk crepe.

2. This little Goupy outfit illustrates several fashion points: the vestee effect—plaid surah jacket cut low in front over the net dress; the transparent look both at the hem and neckline; and, of course, pleats.

3. Apron effects are new, either as wrapped fronts or a complete copy of cook's apron; like the printed dress sketched. Push this fashion a little further and you get the pinafore dresses of dark crepe over orange or broderie blouses.

4. The redingote—among all the afternoon coat variations, with and without pleats, fullness in the bodice, draped sleeves, cape backs, long fronts. Vera Boreas wrap-over moulded redingote with front fullness emerges as one of the simplest and loveliest lines to follow.

dinners

5. The bolero outline which appears everywhere (particularly for turning full evening dresses into dinner frocks) gives a particularly new outline when worn over a deep corset belt. In the sketch both bolero and belt are of fine scarlet felt over a summer evening dress of sea blue linen.

6. Dramatic line at Piquet's; a violet blue, low-cut evening dress turns into a vivid dinner two-piece with its hugely full satin overblouse, almost the line of a ski-ing jacket, one of the newest things out of the collections.

7. A chateleine dress. Developed from the cosy informal entertaining that is part of modern life, several designers show serene lady-like dresses for dinner at home or week-end evenings. This one of heavy dark crepe shows a peasant influence, with soft gathered skirt, white lace bolero too.

8. Dinner suits have been so useful they won't go out of fashion for a bit. Over a slim black skirt Creed puts a butter yellow directoire jacket of ribbed silk. Other designers make printed dinner-jackets cut in the Chinese manner from hand-embroidered satin.

parties

9. Having remarked about the corset top in an earlier report, we think Lelong's way is the prettiest; a sugar pink satin corset laced up over a white net dress with lace piping and bows. Other developments are the blue satin corset top reaching from décolletage to hip; and the long jumper top with full lampshade skirt gathered on at a low neckline.

10. There's nothing so good as being a Greek statue all in white crepe pleats with golden bay-leaves at the waist. Such dresses (this one is Germaine Bailey's) get all the claps, and so do the draped ones by Alix, simple yet complex as the Elgin marbles. Yes Going Greek is still smart.

11. The line that seems most popular, taking it all round, is the simple fitted top with skirt fullness flowing from the waist, disguising the hips. Here it is, shown in most glamorous and dramatic form by Chanel, fixed up with spangles and head-veils. But it persists in printed chiffon and crepe dresses, in little black numbers, in combination, mostly transparent over a slender slip. It remains the easiest and at the same time most flattering design for most figures.

Summer Waist Line

IN 3 WEEKS

THE new waistline, the cummerbund kind, the draped, the gauged and the tucked waistline, all are part of the designers' creed for spring and summer.

Rarely any belts. Tunics which define the waist and hug the hips. Or princess lines which make the waistline high.

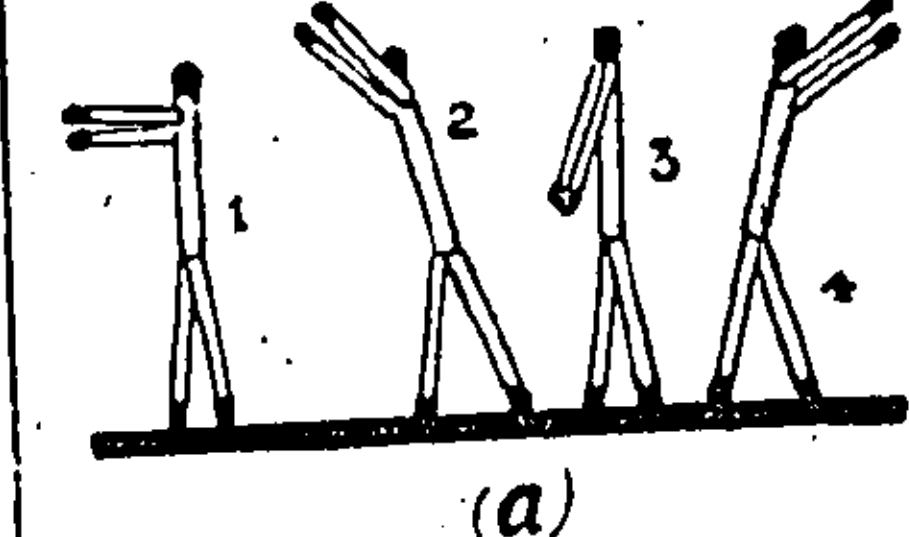
Tweeds, cleverly tucked, on the reverse side, to accentuate waist there is of waistline. And the finest point in slimming, the first place to admit any bulge, the worst portion of all to acquire and retain a spare tyre is—the waistline.

On the slimming of the waist rests your success in dress for the coming season.

You have three weeks in which to achieve a fashionable contour, which necessitates a lessening of the middle-line. But in three weeks you can lose two to three inches from a waistline, and that can completely transform you.

Try it, in this way:—

(a) Take a standing position, feet ten inches apart, toes pointing forward. Raise the arms forward, then swing them up and over to the right side, twisting from the waist as you swing.



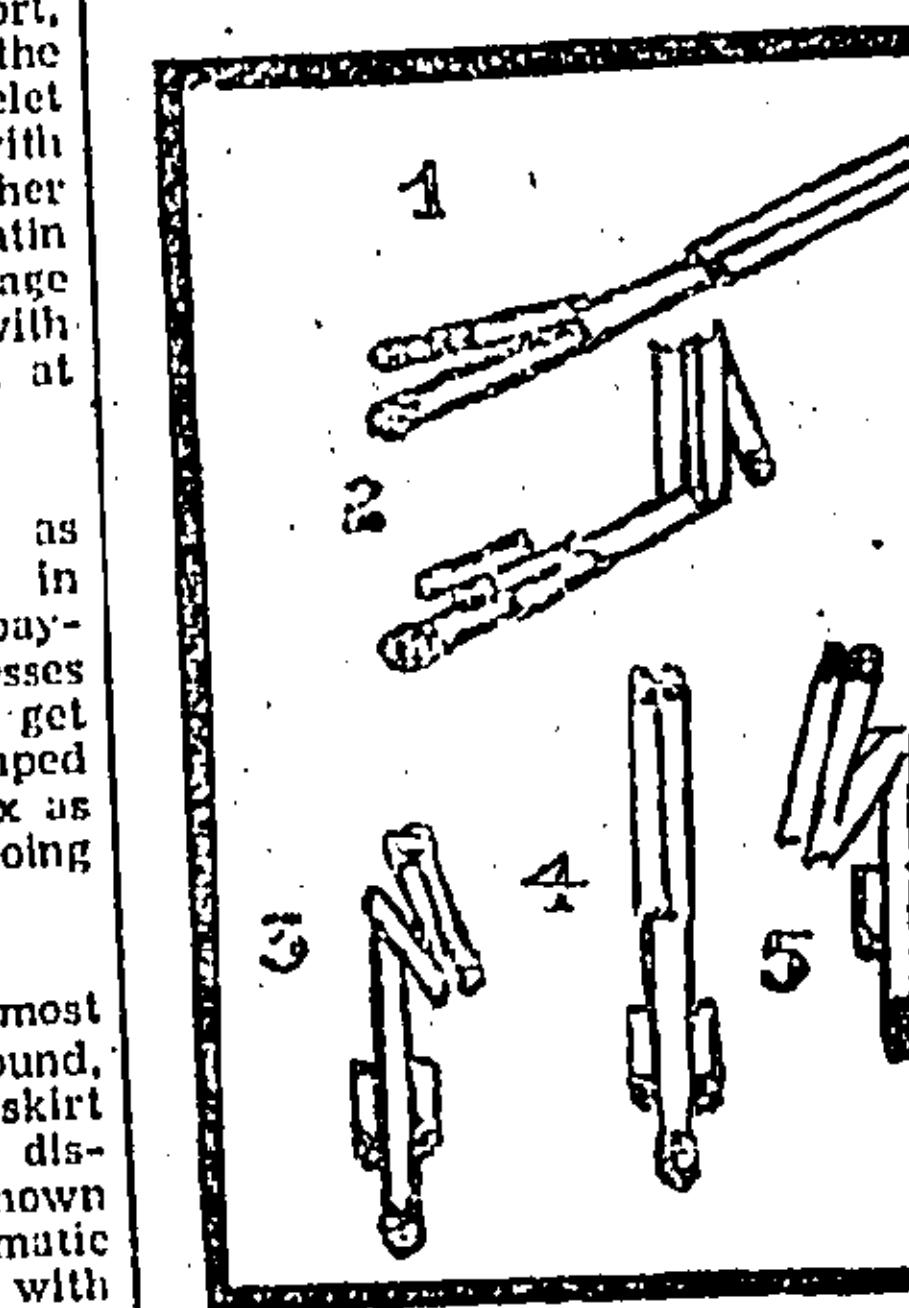
Bring the arms down with a flourish, and swing them up and over to the left side, turning from the waist once more. Repeat twenty times.

(b) Take a position lying on the floor, elbows tucked in at your sides, hands at shoulder-level. Raise the knees, keeping feet together on the floor. Turn the knees on to the right side, and bring them up under the right armpit. Lower, slowly, stretch and straighten knees as your feet reach central position; curl up knees again and turn over to left side, bringing them up to left armpit. Repeat twenty times. You will be amazed at the effect on the waistline.

Now massage. While lying on the back, place hands at centre front on the ribs and draw across to each side. Lift the hands away and begin again, pressing deeply. Always before a meal or one and a half hours afterwards.

Better still, while the skin is still moist from the bath, take a tablet of reducing soap in each hand and draw across in the same manner. The soap is a weapon with which to fight the encroaching "lyre."

If you are otherwise slim, you will not wish to diet, and you cannot



afford to risk losing your facial contours in the cause of your waistline.

After all, in every movement, you can trim the waist. You can use it as a pivot—you can never afford to disregard it. And since you will be wearing very few belts this coming season you must have a waistline which can be accentuated with tucks or gauging or cummerbund effect, or draping.

A BROKEN DOWN SYSTEM. This is a condition (or disease) to which many business men are given but few really understand. It is simply weakness—a break down as it were of the vital forces that sustain the system. No matter what may be its cause (they are almost all the same) the symptoms are much the same. The most prominent being sleeplessness, sense of prostration or weariness, depression, loss of spirit and want of energy for all the ordinary affairs of life. Now, what alone is essential to all such cases is increased vitality—energy, strength and as night succeeds the day this force must be more certainly secured by a course of the **FRANCO KEMEDY THERAPION NO. 3** than by any other known treatment. So surely as it is taken in accordance with the printed directions will the shattered health be restored and the patient be able to deal with a **LIFE OF THE EXPIRING LAWYER.** and any assistance imparted in place of what had been lost. This preparation is suitable for all ages, sex, and conditions, in either sex; and it is difficult to imagine a condition or disease more difficult to treat than weakness, that will not respond to this therapy. It is a powerful and permanent remedy, and it is the only one that has been proved to be the most effective remedy for weakness. It is the only one that has been proved to be the most effective remedy for weakness. It is the only one that has been proved to be the most effective remedy for weakness.



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Are you sure? I can't believe that all this should have started with a tiny cut on the finger! There must be some way of preventing such awful results... Tell me, what ought I to do?

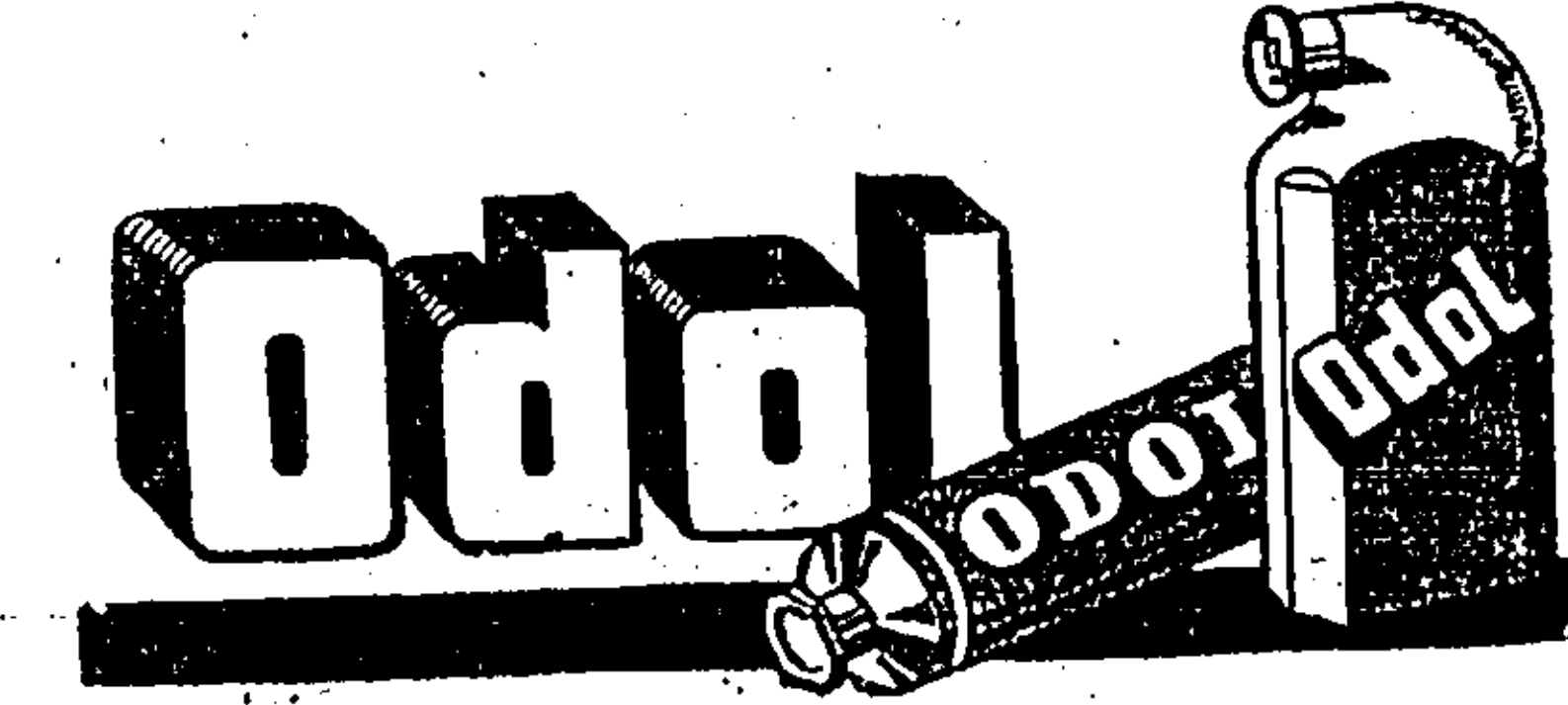
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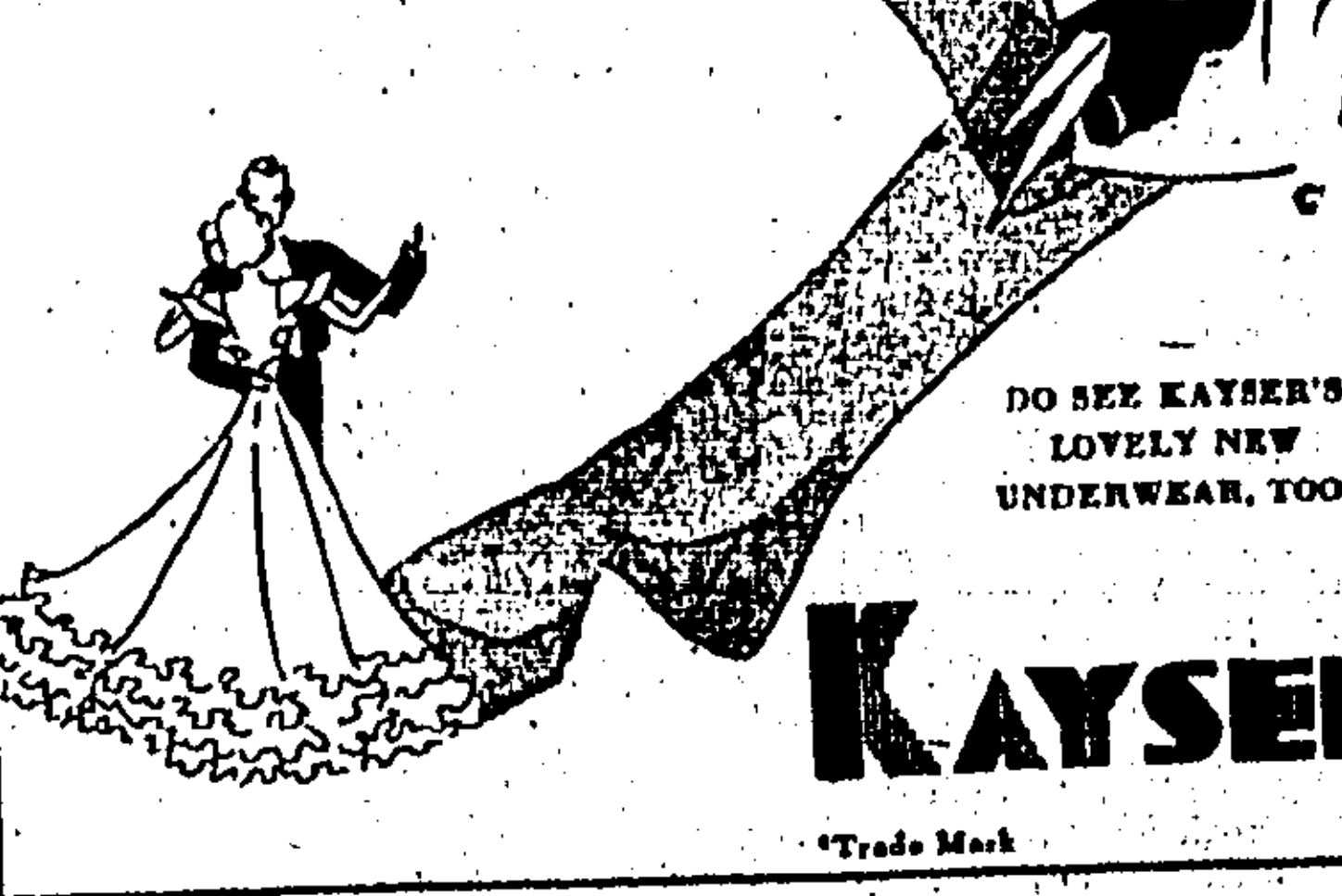
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COUNT THE "TELEGRAPHS" EVERYWHERE

Beautify Your Ankles

NOW that skirts have become shorter, ankles are in the limelight more than ever, so it is a wise plan to pay attention to your ankles.

Don't weaken them by running downstairs, by too much walking or by the wrong kind of shoes. You will need to have strong ankles if you are to enjoy the evening of life.

See that your shoes fit the ankle as well as the foot itself; so many people forget this very important point when choosing new shoes.

Again, a few exercises every morning help to strengthen one of the most complicated of the human joints. Stretch the legs in front of you and move the feet fairly slowly first to the right and then to the left. Do this at least a dozen times every morning.

With regard to appearances, you will find that most people look first at another person's ankles, so see that your stockings fit well round the ankles, and be careful that you do not get them too badly spattered in muddy weather.

Exaggerated markings on your stockings draw attention to your ankles and do not help very much to produce an optical illusion if the joints are not all that you desire.

Finally, rub cold cream into your ankles occasionally, and never plunge them into water that is too hot.

Take care of your ankles, for they are the "crowning glory" of your feet!



Good Cooking

By Ambrose Heath

HARICOT BEANS

IT is sometimes interesting to see how different countries treat the same foodstuff, and here are three illustrations from France, Italy and America.

Maitre d'hotel

Soak the beans for two hours in warm water. Put them into a sauce-pan (earthenware if possible) and cover them with plenty of fresh warm water. Remove the pan from the fire and leave it for an hour. The beans should by then be nicely swollen; drain them, throw away the water and put them in the pan, this time with boiling salted water, adding an onion, a clove, a carrot and a bouquet of parsley, thyme and bayleaf. Put on the lid and boil very gently for an hour and a half. Drain them, "dry" them on a hot fire, mix in three ounces of fresh butter for every pound of beans, season with salt and pepper, squeeze over a little lemon juice and sprinkle over some chopped parsley.

Alla Romana

Having soaked the beans, cook from them in salted water only and drain them well. Fry three coarsely cut-up onions in butter until browned, then add the beans, some minced anchovies rubbed through a sieve, pepper and grated nutmeg, and a little stock. Cook all together until the beans have absorbed the liquid, then squeeze over them the juice of a lemon and serve very hot.

Boiled (American style)

Soak, drain and cook the beans in boiling salted water. Cook with them a ham bone or small pieces of salt pork, sausages or bacon. When serving, lay the meat on top of the beans.

APRIL PARLOPHONE RECORDS

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- F1044—Palais Glide. (Selection). Dance. F1053—Palais Glide. (Selection). Dance.
- F1033—Rosalie. Q.S. Are You Sincere. Waltz.
- F1032—Smarty. Q.S. Little Heaven of the South Seas. S.F.T.
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- F1038—Once in a While. It's a Long Long Way to Your Heart.
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- F1037—Waltz Medley. Piano. Billy Thorburn.
- F1040—Tia Tan Alley Medley 8. Piano. Moreton & Kaye.
- F1027—Mama That Moon is Here Again. F.T. You Took the Words Right Out. HARRY ROY'S ORCHESTRA.
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Labour May Try To Aid U.S. Railways

C. I. O. Subsidiary Out To Dictate To Another Industry

Washington, Apr. 21. Labour leaders and operators have tentatively agreed upon emergency labour legislative action to aid the railroads. The scheme has been submitted to Senator Wheeler, but no mention has been made of wage reductions, which the operators sought to tide them over a difficult period.

Meanwhile, the United Automobile Workers, a subsidiary of the C.I.O., announces that a strike has closed all eight plants of the Bohn Aluminum-Brass Company in Michigan. Three had previously been shut down in protest against alleged violation of seniority in promotion. The company declares it will not negotiate until the plants are reopened.

In Crockett, California, the refinery has reopened after warehousemen had voted to return to work and accept the wages offered them.—United Press.

Empress Made Up Most Of Lost Time

Dense fog between Shanghai and Hongkong in the last few days forced Commander W.T. Kinley, of the 21,000 ton liner Empress of Canada, to slow down.

Yesterday when the fog was lighter, the speed was reduced by only four knots. Yesterday afternoon and night full speed ahead was ordered, with the result that the glint liner only berthed two hours late at Kowloon wharf this morning.

There was an extra large crowd waiting at the wharf when the vessel arrived with 771 passengers aboard, at 9 a.m.

The Empress of Canada carried 672 bags of mail for Hongkong. She is due to leave at 7 p.m. to-night for Manila.

AUSTRALIA-TO-ENGLAND AIR SERVICE PLANS

Melbourne, Apr. 21. Mr. Joseph A. Lyons, Prime Minister of Australia, to-day announced that a preliminary Anglo-Australian air mail service, by flying boat, was beginning in July, with a twice-weekly service both ways, which will be increased to a three-weekly service both ways by August.

Mails for the south and west of Australia will be flown from Port Darwin direct, instead of via Sydney, as originally planned.—Reuter Special.

EDUCATIONIST TO SPEAK

Professor S. Lautenschlager, professor of Political Science and International Affairs of the University of Chicago, will speak to the English Discussion Club of the Y. M. C. A., on the topic of "The Recent World Struggle between Democracy, Communism and Fascism."

Friends and members are cordially invited to attend this meeting to be held at the Hongkong Chinese Y. M. C. A., 71 Bridges Street, at 7.30 p.m. to-night.

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Princess Gives Birthday Party

London, Apr. 21. Princess Elizabeth celebrated her twelfth birthday with a party at Windsor Castle this afternoon. Congratulatory telegrams were received from the Dominions and Colonies.

For the first time the Princess was allowed to take public office, and she is to be President of the Children's League of the Princess Elizabeth of York Hospital in the East End of London.—Reuter Bulletin.

CHINESE INFANTRY HURLED AT SHEER CLIFF AT IHSIEN

Terrific Battle Raging For Key City; Witness Tells of Bloody Havoc

(Special to "Telegraph")

Headquarters 30th Division, Apr. 21.

This is the story of the battle for the front door of Ihsien as I saw it from dawn to dark from the foot of a mountain only 500 yards from the Japanese lines. While the Chinese troops were swinging from the east towards the mountain which overlooks Ihsien, a key city of Anhwei, I went into the centre line where three divisions under General Sun Lien-chung, were grappling to throttle and hold the main road blocked by the emergence of Japanese tanks.

Actually four hills guard the entrance to Ihsien. The Chinese hold three, but the Japanese retain the most important, and a Chinese division is pressing around the base to take them in the rear.

During the continuous wild artillery bombardment the Japanese hurled shells from behind this mountain and into the lines of the Chinese west, east and south, swinging their guns suddenly and pounding the near-by villages. In the village at the foot of the hill where I sheltered the Chinese knocked holes in the walls of the mud houses and sat down behind their machine-guns.

On the main hill, held by the Japanese, the Chinese occupy a temple ruin, and only 100 yards above the Japanese are entrenched behind stone walls with a sheer rock face below them. The angle is too steep for Chinese guns to reach them.

Night Attack Attempted

In the night the Chinese attempted to scale this cliff face. The Japanese dropped bombs among them and then swept them with machine-gun fire. The dead and wounded lie at the foot of the mountain and no one dares approach them in daylight. Only at night the wounded can be removed.

The Chinese are still in a strong position, but 5,000 Japanese reinforcements have started to attack the east flank in the Ihsien line and are supported by very heavy artillery.—United Press.

Expansion Of R. A. F. Costs Many Millions

London, Apr. 21. The construction of new stations, equipment depots, training establishments and other accommodation for the expanded Royal Air Force is now proceeding at a cost which is now estimated to be upwards of £50,000,000.

This is revealed by the Comptroller and Auditor-General in a report on the air services appropriation account for the year ended March 31, 1937. In many cases the original estimate has been considerably increased.—Reuter.

HAPSBURG PROPERTY SEIZED

Berlin, Apr. 21. A newspaper says that the property of the Hapsburg family of Austria, valued at £2,000,000, was seized by decree some weeks ago, "as a result of Duke Otto's foolish and treasonable interview with a French newspaper on March 10."—Reuter Bulletin.

GAMING HOUSE CROWD CAUGHT

Following a police raid on a gaming house in Wu Pak Street, Aberdeen, yesterday, 11 men were arrested. This morning, Chan Fat, 27, was charged at Central Magistrate's court as he was not in court his bail of \$24 was estreated. Eight men were charged with gambling and their bail of \$2 was also estreated. Two other men who were not on bail were discharged with a caution.

The sum of \$1.08 was put into the Poor Box.

U.S. BUYS MEXICAN SILVER

Washington, Apr. 21. Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of the Treasury, without disclosing the name of the company or the amount, said the Treasury had bought some Mexican silver from an American firm operating in Mexico.—United Press.

SECOND BRITISH PROTEST TO MEXICO

Government Protects British Investors

Mexico City, Apr. 21.

The second British Government note to Mexico was presented by the British Minister to-day. It maintains integrally the opinions previously expressed on the oil fields expropriation question, and says that the British Government cannot admit the validity of the Mexican Government's argument.

A more particular reply to the case put forward by the Mexican Government will be made in due course, but the Ambassador has been instructed to make an immediate answer to two points in the Mexican note:

Firstly, the contention that as the Mexican Eagle Oil Company is a Mexican legal entity, the British Government is precluded from intervening on its behalf; secondly, the contention that a denial of justice cannot be held to have occurred because the case is still sub judice.

With regard to the first point, the note recalls that representations made on April 8 were not made as a result of a request from the company, and that the British Government was not intervening on behalf of the Mexican Eagle, but on behalf of the largest majority of shareholders, who were British.—Reuter.

AMBASSADOR DEPARTS

Mexico City, Apr. 21. The United States Ambassador to Mexico left for Washington from Mexico City by air to-day. No reason was given for his sudden departure but it is understood that it is connected with the question of expropriation of oil fields.—Reuter Bulletin.

JUNK PEOPLE PUNISHED

Charged with failing to show a white light on the bow of his junk while anchored off the military pier at Shamshui yesterday, Mo Pui, 46, was fined \$10 or ten days' imprisonment when he appeared before Cmdr. G. F. Hole in the Marine Court this morning.

Mak Hop, 36, was fined a similar amount for anchoring his junk within the Tai Kok Tsui cable area.

A fine of \$5 was indicated on So Choi, 38, when he pleaded guilty to a charge of failing to produce his licence when called upon to do so by Sergeant Manning at Lyceum Pass.

EXCHANGE RATES

	Apr. 20.	Apr. 21
Paris	159 1/2	159 1/2
Geneva	21 08	21 09 1/2
Berlin	12 39 1/2	12 40
Athens	54 7 1/2	54 7 1/2
Milan	94 1 1/2	95 1 1/2
Oslo	19 00	19 00
Copenhagen	22 40	22 40
Stockholm	19 40	19 40
Helsingfors	22 0 1/2	22 0 1/2
Shanghai	1/1 1/4	1/1 1/4
New York	4.88 1/2	4.88 1/2
Wien	20 1/2	20 1/2
Amsterdam	8.88 1/2	8.88 1/2
Prague	143 1/2	143 1/2
Madrid	110 1/2	110 1/2
Lisbon	110 1/2	110 1/2
Hongkong	1/2 1/4	1/2 1/4
Bombay	1/6 1/2	1/6 1/2
Montreal	5.01 1/2	5.01 1/2
Brussels	29 57	29 58
Kokohama	1/2	1/2
Belgrade	21 1/2	21 1/2
Bucharest	87 1/2	87 1/2
Montevideo	20 1/2	20 1/2
Rio de Janeiro	21 1/2	21 1/2
Silver (Spot)	18 1/2	18 1/2
Silver (Forward)	18 1/2	18 1/2
War Loan	103 1/2	103 1/2

—British Wireless.

Ford Urges Farmers To Save Nation

"Back To The Land," Industrialist's Advice To People

New York, Apr. 21.

Mr. Henry Ford, the motor magnate, who is seeing President Roosevelt on April 27 to discuss with him business conditions, was interviewed to-day, when he said: "I want to give the President a chance to see somebody who does not want anything."

Mr. Ford outlined his own solution for the nation's problems, and said expansion of the back-to-the-farm movement would save the country. "If the people do not raise their own food, they will have to have a dictator to tell them to do so. In no other way can we raise money. Farms must provide for industry."

Mr. Ford reiterated his belief that the only panacea for anything was work. "That is all any young fellow needs", he said.—Reuter.

PRESIDENT INVITES FORD TO LUNCH

Washington, Apr. 21.

It is announced that President F. D. Roosevelt has invited Mr. Henry Ford to lunch on Wednesday, and has asked him to bring his son, Edsel Ford, and Mr. W. J. Cameron of the Public Relations Committee, if he wishes.—United Press.

SHARE PRICES

The following is the list of local share quotations issued this morning.

Banks

H.K. Bank, \$1,545 n.
H.K. Banks (Lon. Reg.), £91 n.
Chartered Banks, £12 1/2 n.
Mercantile Bank, A. and B., £28 n.
Mercantile Bank, C., £14 n.
East Asia Bank, \$85 n.

Insurances

Canton Ins., \$272 1/2 b.
Union Ins., \$520 b.
China Underwriters, \$2.15 b.
H.K. Fire Ins., \$233 n.

Shipping

Douglas, \$85 n.
H.K. Steamboats, \$23 1/2 n.
Indo-China (Prof.), \$51 n.
Indo-China (Def.), \$24 n.
Shell Bearer, \$80 1/2 n.
Union Waterboats, \$8.00 n.

Docks etc.

H.K. & W. Wharves, \$132 1/2 b. and sa.
H.K. & W. Docks, \$21.70 n.
H.K. & W. Docks (new), \$21 n.
H.K. & W. Docks Rts. \$11 n.
Providents (old), \$3.35/40 n.
Providents (new), \$3.30 n.
New Engineering, Sh. \$4.05 n.
Shanghai Docks, Sh. \$98 n.
Kailan Mining Adm., 10/4 1/2 n.
Raubs, \$8 1/2 n.
Venz. Goldfield, \$4 n.
Hongkong Mines, 11 1/2 cts. b.

Philippine Mining

Antamoks, P. 51 sa.
Atoks, P. —
Baguio Gold, P. —
Banguet Consol., P. —
Banguet Explor., P. —
Big Wedge, P. —
Coco Groves, P. 53 sa.
Consolidated Mines, P. —
Demonstration, P. 54 sa.
E. Mindanao, P. —
Gumaus G'dels, P. —
Ipo Gold, P. —
I.X.L., P. 70 sa.
Itogons, P. —
Masbate Consols., P. —
Min. Resources, P. —
Northern Min., P. —
Paracale Gumaus, P. 18 sa.
Sanacot Mining, P. —
San Maurelio, P. 47 1/2 sa.
Suyoc Consol., P. 17 1/2 sa.
United Paracales, P. —
Lands, Hotels, etc.

H. and S. Hotels, \$6.05 b.
H.K. Lands, \$37 s.
H.K. Lands, 4% Deben \$100 1/2 b.
Shai Lands, Sh. \$9 n.
Metropolitan Lands, Sh. —
Humphries, \$9.10 s.
H.K. Realities, \$5.15 b.
Chincso Estates, \$98 n.
China Realities, Sh. —
China Deben, —
Pabulo Utilities

H.K. Tramways, \$10.15 b.
Peak Tram (old), \$7 b.
Peak Tram (new), \$34 n.
Star Ferry, \$58 1/2 n.
Yauwatt Ferry (old), \$24.90 n.
China Light (old), \$11.05 b.
China Light (new), \$9 s.
H.K. Electric, \$59 1/2 b. and sa.
Macao Electric, \$17 n.
Sandakan Lights, \$14 1/2 n.
Telephone (old), \$26.00 b.
Telephone (new), \$10 1/2 b.
China Bus, \$3 n.
Singapore Traction, 25/- n.
Singapore Prof., 25/- n.

Industrials

Cald. Macg. (old), Sh. \$14 1/2 n.
Cald. Macg. (Prof.), Sh. \$12 1/2 n.
Canton Ice, \$1.70 n.
Cements, \$17.40 s.
H.K. Ropes, \$4.00 sa.
Sires, sa.
Dairy Farm, \$24 1/2 b.
Watsons, \$6 1/2 n.
Lane Crawford, \$9.30 b.
Sinceres, \$2.20 n.
Wing On (H.K.), \$40 n.
William Powell, Ltd., 70 cts. n.

Cotton Mills

Ewo Cotton, Sh. \$14 1/2 n.
Shai Cotton (old), Sh. \$74 n.
Zong Sing, Sh. —
Wing On Textiles, Sh. \$38 b.

Miscellaneous

H.K. Entertainments, \$6 1/2 n.
Constructions, \$1 1/2 b.
Vibro Piling, \$8 1/2 n.
Ch. Govt. 4% 1920 G'ds., 75% n.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan, 6% prm. n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan, 2% prm. n.
Wallace Harpers, \$10 b.
Maramans Ins. (Lon.), s/- 13/- n.
Maramans Ins. (H.K.), s/- 17/10 b.

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CHINESE TO AVOID MASSES BATTLE

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preparation for delivering a power thrust against the Japanese when zero hour for the Linyi battle arrives.

These Kwangsi troops are sturdy, hard-fighting men, trained by General Li Chung-jen, and have distinguished themselves already.—*Reuter.*

Situation Well In Hand

Hsuehwei, Apr. 22.

Interviewed late last night, the Chinese military authorities declared that they have the situation in south Shantung well in hand despite the Japanese entry into Linyi and their breaking of the Chinese cordons at Hsien-chuen, Hsiencheng and Tsaochwang.

With heavy Chinese reinforcements rushed up large-scale fighting in south Shantung is expected to be mentally, the authorities predicted.

The Japanese reinforcements at Linyi, according to the authorities, have now been surrounded on three sides, the east, west and south, by the Chinese. The Chinese cordon is only about five kilometres from the city. During encounters in the last three days the Japanese have sustained considerable losses.

Divisions Identified

The authorities revealed that the Japanese reinforcements which came to rescue their comrades beleaguered at Linyi, Hsien, Chuehcheng, Hsiencheng and Tsaochwang are the 102nd and 14th Divisions. The 102nd Division proceeded to Linyi by way of the Weihsien-Tsaochwang highway and the 14th Division moved southward to Hsien and Tsaochwang by the Tientsin-Pukow Railway.

Reinforced by the 14th Division, the Japanese troops at Hsien and Tsaochwang have broken through the Chinese cordon. They attempted to advance southward along the railway but were halted by the Chinese at Hsuehwei, south-east of Hsien.

The Japanese tactics, the authorities stated, are apparently to establish a line between the west bank of the Yi River and the Lincheng-Tsaochwang Railway. But as heavy Chinese reinforcements are concentrated along this line, the Japanese are not expected to succeed in their attempt easily.—*Central News.*

Recapture Of Towns Confirmed

Hankow, April 22.

Chinese recapture of Tsiyuan, Pinglu and Menghsien in northern Honan, and Puhshien in western Shantung has been confirmed by official reports.—*Central News.*

TENANT ORDERED TO LEAVE

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d'Almada to take instructions from plaintiff.

The second claim was against Sung Ming-luen, of 481 Nathan Road, second floor.

Mr. d'Almada said the flat was rented to Sung for \$30 per month, and notice to vacate was also made on February 25.

Sung said he could not find another place, owing to the large influx of people into the Colony. He also used the premises as a school.

Mr. d'Almada said Sung was also in arrears with his rent. There was no question of notice to quit being due to the raising of the rent.

Sung claimed he had paid up all the arrears in rent, and said he asked Mr. Xavier to allow him to stay on. He added that even if he found a place, it had first to be approved by the Education Department and the Urban Council before it could be used as a school.

His Lordship made an order for plaintiff to take possession of the premises within 14 days, for mesne profits up to the date of possession at the rate of \$30 per month, and costs.

But I cannot find another place for my school.

His Lordship: I can't help that. Plaintiff is entitled to possession.

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Notice to Shareholders.

The Fifty-Seventh Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Friday, the 6th May, 1938, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1937.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 22nd April to the 6th May, 1938, both days inclusive.

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WAGE CASE JUDGMENT REVERSED

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the Board of Directors of the Standing Committee, plaintiff replied that such a decision must be made by the Board of Directors.

EMPLOYEES EMBARRASSED

In reply to further questions, he said that it was rather embarrassing for employees still in the service of the Company to ask for a refund of their salary. They would prefer to ask the Company's discretion on such repayment. The Company was under no compulsion to pay; it could do so whenever it liked. Employees who were still employed in the firm would not ask for the refund because they wanted to keep their jobs, but as plaintiff had left, he had asked for the refund.

By the words "If the Company should improve its business somewhat in the future," plaintiff said he understood that if they made a profit, or did not lose money.

Mr. Mackinnon: Do you suggest that the refund should be repayable even if the Company made only \$1 profit on the year's working?

Witness: Whether the Company made much or little, there should be a refund.

What do you mean by profit?—I mean if the Company makes enough to refund me. For example, if it owed me \$10 and made a profit of \$10, that sum should be refunded to me before it gave out dividends.

DECISION REVERSED

Questioned by Mr. Potter, plaintiff said there were a few lines in the notice to the effect that should the Company make a slight recovery the plaintiff would certainly be refunded. There was nothing about an employee not entitled to compensation on leaving the Company. He really regarded the notice in the mess room as fairly expressing what Mr. Chan Harr had told him at the meeting.

Giving judgment, His Lordship said: "I am satisfied on the evidence given to-day that the only promise held out to the plaintiff and his co-defendants was one of a refund of their deductions if and when the circumstances of the Company proved sufficient to justify such a refund. There is no evidence before me that the Company has since been in such a position. It is therefore my judgment that judgment is for the defendants with costs and I reverse my former decision."

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

SWAN, CULBERTSON & FRITZ LATEST REPORTS

New York, April 21.

S. C. & F. Dow Jones summary of yesterday's markets:

—Belief that the Administration has relaxed pressure on utilities is enhanced by the "White House" conference of S. E. C. and R. F. C. officials and by plans to place utility equipment purchase there was high interest in aviation shares on the report that "War" was not the object of the British purchase of aeroplanes in the United States. Cigarette production for March of the current year topped that for the corresponding month of 1937. Youngstown steel operations were higher. Unfavourable factors included the continued deadlock on the Tax Bill, bank clearings were again below those of the corresponding week in last year and construction awards showed a decline.

Dow Jones Aver. Apr. 20 Close
30 Industrials 114.90 115.40
20 Rails 21.20 21.23
20 Utilities 17.52 18.03
40 Bonds 84.70 84.90
11 Commodity Index 50.42 50.39

ITALIANS SENDING AID TO REFUGEES

Shanghai, Apr. 22.

Italian officials to-day revealed that the Italian Government is sending a consignment of medical supplies and surgical instruments to China for the medical relief of war refugees.

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LEAGUE WARNED OF BRITISH ACTION

London, April 21.

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Notes at the end of last month between three signatories of the treaty, and between the United Kingdom and Germany and Russia, in respect of bilateral naval agreements extending to the provisions of the 1936 treaty.—*British Wireless.*

U.S. Treasury To Let Loose New Credits

Latest Scheme Is Outlined

Washington, Apr. 21.

The United States Treasury to-day announced a plan for "pumping" \$1,400,000,000 of the de-sterilized gold fund into the nation's credit structure, at the rate of \$50,000,000 a week, simultaneously reducing the national debt until further notice by redeeming in cash one of the two \$50,000,000 maturing weekly issues of short term bills.

The remaining issue will be replaced by a new issue of the same type and amount.

This diverges from the ordinary practice in which both maturing issues would have been "rolled over" weekly. It is not disclosed whether the Treasury will follow the plan of the entire de-sterilized funds are exhausted. However, as long as it is effective, it will reduce debt by \$50,000,000 a week, through cash going to excess reserves, and thereby being made available for private borrowers.—*United Press.*

Union Tries To Stop Show For Princess

London, Apr. 21.

Intervention by striking electricians failed to prevent Princess Elizabeth from enjoying a special film show arranged at Windsor Castle for her twenty birthday to-day.

The Electrical Trades Union protested in advance to the Board of Works against an alleged black-leg projectionist employed for the Castle show, but plans were not altered.

The King and Queen and other members of the Royal family, joined the Princess in laughing over Mickey Mouse and Donald the Duck.

It was explained later that the King's projector was not run by a member of the Trade Union, but by an amateur who had taken up cinematography as a hobby.—*Reuter.*

Junk Attacks Ridiculed

Canton, Apr. 21.

Allegations that a number of Chinese junks were using Portuguese waters in South China as a base for raids on Japanese warships, made recently by a Japanese naval spokesman in Shanghai, are characterised by military authorities in Kwangtung as being "groundless and ridiculous."

The authorities added: "The allegations serve the definite purpose of a gross insult to the intelligence of those who are acquainted with Chinese, that they should be expected to believe that Chinese junks are ever able to attack Japanese warships. Obviously such allegations are made to cover the Japanese navy's nefarious plans to destroy the Chinese fishing industry and as an excuse to fire on fishing boats at will."—*Reuter.*

Japanese Pay Indemnity To Mission

Shanghai, April 22.

It is reported that the Japanese Embassy has paid the American Seventh Day Adventist Mission H.K.\$2,305 for damages to the mission property during the Japanese bombing of Waichow last September.

It is believed this is the first instance of Japan indemnifying foreign missions for property losses.—*United Press.*

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FORGERS SENT TO PRISON

Five-year Terms For Two Accused

The trial of Yung Pik, 25, and Chan Kim, 30, on six charges of possession of forged banknotes and instruments for forgery was concluded at the Sessions this morning, when they were found guilty and each sentenced to five years' hard labour by the Chief Justice, Sir Abell MacGregor.

The number of forged notes, purporting to be from four Chinese banks, totalled 4,018, and their face value was stated to run to approximately \$9,000.

Mr. E. H. Williams, Assistant Attorney-General, prosecuted, and accused were defended by the Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almada, Jr., on the instruction of Mr. M. A. da Silva.

While agreeing with Mr. d'Almada that they were not the principals, His Lordship pointed out, in passing, that accused had a very large and complete plant for counterfeiting notes of their own country at a time when it was in dire need.

The Jury also returned a formal verdict of not guilty against Yung Yee, 40, who was charged with the other two but was acquitted at the previous hearing on the ground of insufficient evidence.

Royal Scots Band To Play Sunday

An excellent programme has been arranged by the Orchestra of H.M. 2nd Bn. The Royal Scots (The Loyal Regiment), who, by kind permission of Lieut.-Col. G. E. Hall, M.C., and Officers, will play in the Peninsula Hotel Lounge on Sunday, April 24, commencing at 9 p.m.

The concert will open with Suppe's "Light Cavalry Overture," that is so popular just now in Hongkong, followed by a selection of Gershwin melodies from the Astaire-Rogers film "Shall We Dance."

Waldteufel's lovely waltz "Un Jour a Seville" and two violin solos by L/C A. Alsey, "Alps Tzigane" (Espejo) and "Black Eyes" (Ferrarie), are so well known, and should prove very popular items.

The first part of the programme closes with selections from Verdi's opera "La Traviata" which is the story of the tragic "Camille."

After the interval, the orchestra will render selections from the film "Firefly" which was shown in the Colony a short time ago. Film's melodies are always popular with Hongkong audiences, and this selection will no doubt be received with acclamation.

L/C A. Wellmer will entertain with a selection of Cornet Solos, followed by Amers' "Wee McGregor Patrol," and selected accordion Solos by Bdm. S. Will.

A delightful selection of Russian and Gypsy Airs will bring the programme to a close.

The Orchestra will be conducted by Mr. H. B. Jordan, A.R.C.M.

Drought Threat To Whole Of England

London, Apr. 21.

A long drought is causing serious loss to farmers, nurserymen and horticulturists in all parts of England. Meteorological authorities see no sign of an early break in the dry spell which over southern England, has lasted since March 25.—*British Wireless.*

GOOD DIVIDEND IN PROSPECT

We are officially informed that the general agents and consulting committee of the Canton Insurance Office Ltd., at the forthcoming Meeting of Shareholders to be held on Friday, May 6, will recommend the payment of a final dividend of \$8 per share, in respect of working account for 1937, and the transfer of the balance of \$222,385.41 to undivided reserve account.

They will further recommend that an interim dividend of \$5 per share be paid in respect of working account for 1937, and that the balance of \$2,113,005.87 be carried forward.

BIG INCREASE IN ARMY RECRUITS LAST WEEK

London, Apr. 21.

Contrary to the usual decline in recruiting at holiday periods, last week there was an intake of 400 recruits into the regular army, an increase of 125 over the Easter week of last year.—*British Wireless.*

BRITAIN'S CHARITIES TOTAL £90,462,866

London, Apr. 21.

A report of the Charity Commissioners for 1937, states that the total amount held at the end of the year by the official trustees of charitable funds was £90,462,866, against £88,519,382 the year before.—*British Wireless.*

Hint Of Big Purge In Mongol Area

Japanese Allegedly Implicated In Plot

Moscow, Apr. 21.

Belated advices of a purge rivaling those of Russia, which recently occurred in Outer Mongolia in an effort to crush an allegedly Japanese inspired plot to overthrow the Government, have come to hand.

The newspaper, *Dezhnevsk*, has quoted the Outer Mongolian Government organ, the *People's Right*, as stating that large stores of arms, ammunition and light cannon seized were first evidence uncovered at a trial which started in January 1937.

The *People's Right* charged that the plot was headed by Buddhist priests connected with Japanese agents beyond the border. The paper said that the trials obtained confessions from the leaders at the Jigotzar monastery, who described Japanese spying, and stated they had plotted an armed uprising.

The number of people executed is not available. However, the figures are said to rival those connected with the Russian purges.—*United Press.*

Wet Weather May Continue Several Days

The first tropical downpour of the year, accompanied by a sharp thunderstorm, brought realisation this morning that spring was slowly making way for summer.

Present squally and showery weather may continue for a few days before being replaced by real summer conditions.

A depression covering South China and Tongking is responsible for present conditions, which are causing unhappiness to housewives and joy to richika coolies.

POWERFUL CRUISER ARRIVES ON H.K. STATION TOMORROW

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Cumberland, flagship of the Commander-in-Chief, from Shanghai at 1 o'clock to-day, and the arrival of H.M.S. Birmingham from England tomorrow, several other movements are taking place. H.M.S. Daring, which was relieved at Amoy this morning by H.M.S. Dainty, is due to arrive in Hongkong at 4 p.m. to-day.

H.M.S. Grimsby left Weihaiwei for Hongkong this morning, and H.M.S. Birmingham will be relieved at Folsong by H.M.S. Decoy, now en route from Hongkong, is to go to Weihaiwei.

H.M.S. Diamond is leaving Swatow to-day and will arrive in Hongkong to-morrow. With her departure Swatow will have no British warship in harbour.

Disposition of British warships in North China, in addition to those mentioned above, is as follows:

Shanghai.—H.M.S. Sandwich, Tsingtao.—H.M.S. Folkestone, Weihaiwei.—H.M.S. Suffolk, Chinwangtao.—H.M.S. Lowestoft.

H.M.S. Capetown, which has been transferred to England after spending most of her commissioned life in Far Eastern waters, will fly the paying-off pennant on Tuesday next, when she is expected to depart on the Homeward voyage.

RUMANIA SEEKS TO DESTROY FASCISM

Bucharest, Apr. 21.

Drastic action against Rumanian Fascism is foreshadowed by a Government communiqué published to-night, which declares that the "Iron Guard" possessed spies in the police, the secret service and the army General Staff.

The communiqué declares: "Severe measures must be taken to liquidate an organisation dangerous to the State."

The Minister of the Interior is authorised by royal decree to impose the sentence of banishment on offenders of public order, and to confiscate all "Iron Guard" property.

Allegations against Mr. Corneliu Codreanu, the Fascist leader, include the charge that he is in communication with foreign powers by means of a code which at present has not been completely deciphered.—*Reuter.*

MINEFIELDS LAID IN YANGTSE

Shanghai, April 22.

The British Consulate has informed the local steamship offices that Chinese mines are laid near Chinghai, 40 and 20 miles down-stream from Ningpo. However, it is said that Ningpo pilots will be able to navigate ships past the mine field without danger.—*United Press.*

BULLET-PROOF CAR FOR PEKING OFFICIAL

Peking, Apr. 22.

It is reliably understood that Mr. Wang Keh-min's bullet-proof car, which was ordered following an attempt to assassinate him, is due to arrive from the United States in the course of the next few weeks.—*United Press.*

SUGIYAMA SATISFIED WITH TOUR

Japan War Minister Reports On Visit To The Fronts

Tokyo, Apr. 22.

General Sugiyama, the War Minister, following an inspection of the Japanese forces in China, said he was satisfied as to their progress and condition. He also said that the forces were likewise satisfied with the policies of the present Konoye Government.

General Sugiyama said that the military policy would not be changed as a result of his visit to the fronts, but would continue until the Chiang Kai-shek regime was entirely powerless.

He will make his report to Prince Konoye, the Premier, somewhat belatedly, to-morrow.

In the meantime, Prince Konoye reiterated that he would not be the leader of a new National Party. He said that public solidarity behind the Government in all emergencies would better serve.—*United Press.*

TROUSERS AND \$160 RETRIEVED

Montreal.

Bennie Skrovanek has a strong affection for his trousers. When he broke out in Benny's home, he was forced to flee without his trousers. The day after the fire he got an axe and chopped away at the ice-covered debris until he found his trousers—with \$100 in a pocket.

Rain Delays Cathedral Wedding

Bride Finally Enters By Umbrella Arch

It was raining so hard this morning at 11.30 that Miss Geneva Margaret Dye, who arrived at St. John's Cathedral for her wedding to Mr. Joseph Turner, was kept waiting in her car for nearly a quarter-of-an-hour before she ventured to enter the Cathedral under an archway of umbrellas.

She wore a pale blue celophane rain-coat with hood over her lovely blue tulle wedding dress of afternoon length. Her matching halo hat was trimmed with a blue silk-net veil and her bouquet was of pink gladioli.

The wedding was very quiet, and the service was conducted by the Dean, the Very Rev. J. L. Wilson.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. William Dye of the U.S.A. State Department, and is a Medical Missionary Doctor at the Bikby Memorial Hospital at Kityang, near Swatow.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. Robert John Turner, and is a linen manufacturer from Swatow.

MALINI IN HONGKONG

Max Malini, the famous magician, arrived in the Colony to-day by the Empress of Canada en route to Manila. Mr. Malini, who is accompanied by his son, Mr. Oskar Malini, hopes to return to Hongkong within a few weeks.

POST OFFICE.

INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Due
Shanghai and Amoy	Imperial Airways	April 22.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 17th April.	Imperial Airways Plane	April 22.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 15th April	Pan American Airways Plane	April 22.
Shanghai	Son Tay	April 22.
Calcutta and Straits	Suisang	April 22.
Manila	Tamara	April 22.
Amoy	Tilawa	April 22.
Japan and Formosa	Haruna Maru	April 23.
Shanghai and Swatow	Kiungchow	April 23.
Straits	Menor	April 23.
Straits	Patroclus	April 23.
Hainan	Kanchow	April 23.
Japan	Kitano Maru	April 23.
Shanghai and Amoy	Taiyuan	April 23.
Straits	Anhui	April 24.
Straits	Bellerophon	April 24.
Japan and Shanghai	Potsdam	April 24.

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time
Friday		
Manila	Emp. of Canada	Fri., Apr. 22, 4.30 p.m.

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New York, Apr. 21.

Thirty different types of fighting planes, including the U.S. Army's famous bomber, the "Flying Fortress," will be offered the British Air Mission as available for export, it was learned to-day.

The United States considers that the Army and Navy possess planes superior to these types, hence they are willing to sell for export.

Besides the Flying Fortress bombers, Britain can buy single-engined combat planes with speeds of 300 m.p.h., but she will not be able to obtain the newer types with speeds as high as 400 m.p.h.

Three types of flying boats for coastal bombing will also be available. Engines, with a maximum of 1,100 h.p. may be exported, but the United States retains for her own use engines of 1,500 h.p., while engines of 2,000 h.p. are reported to have been developed.

The Army now possesses super-flying Fortress machines, greatly superior to the original design, while under secret construction are sub-sonic bombers, capable of flying to Europe and back, non-stop. They have six engines and are launched by catapult.—Reuter.

CHINESE CHARGED WITH EMBEZZLEMENT

An Australian born Chinese, James Ernest, 37, of Nathan Road, employed as a book-keeper by Williamson and Company, P. and O. building, was charged with having embezzled \$1,000 when he appeared before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy to-day.

Mr. W. A. Mackinnay was present for complainants, and Mr. F. G. Nigal for defendant.

Defendant was remanded in police custody for three days.

SHIPS IN WIRELESS COMMUNICATION

The following ships are expected to be in wireless communication with Hongkong radio: Tumara, Chekiang, Sontay, Kitano Maru, Haruna Maru, Patroclus, Mentor, Klungchow, Anhui, Belleophon, Potsdam, Talyun, Suisang, Linarth, Sagres, Pingwo, Tsinan, President

QUAKE ENGULFS WHOLE VILLAGES

Days Of Terror In Turkey's Interior

Istanbul, Apr. 21. It is estimated that 18 villages were totally wiped out, and 22 others were almost entirely destroyed in the disastrous earthquake in Central Turkey. The latest shocks have been accompanied by terrific subterranean rumblings which caused panic among the refugees. Many refugees camped in the open were surrounded by deep fissures of the earth, through which boiling water frequently spouted.

Other reports state that whole families disappeared under mountainous masses of debris.—Reuter Bulletin.

No Increase In British Taxes Likely

Buoyant Revenue Aids Government

London, Apr. 21. The Chancellor of the Exchequer is expected to introduce a "marking time" budget on April 26, states a lobby correspondent. Startling changes in the taxation position are not anticipated, and the budget may generally follow these lines: Firstly, no increase in income tax; secondly, a tightening up of tax evasion possibilities; thirdly, extra borrowing to meet any outstanding expenditure.

The possibility of taxation of cosmetics is also mentioned. Some £65,000,000 more than last year will have to be found by the Chancellor, but there is a buoyant revenue which has produced a surplus of over £28,000,000, and the national defence contribution is expected to realise £25,000,000 or more.—Reuter.

MANILA SHARES

The following business done quotations were received after the close of the morning session by Swan, Culbertson & Fritz from their Manila office:

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Consolidated Mines	Unquoted
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I.C.L.	Unquoted
Mine Operations	Unquoted
Paracale Gumam	Unquoted
San Maricela	Unquoted
Suyre	Unquoted
United Paracale	Unquoted

The tone of the market: Quiet.

PRINCE HURT IN CAR COLLISION

Copenhagen, Apr. 21. Prince Gustav, youngest brother of King Christian of Denmark, injured his face when, while driving his car, he collided with another.—Reuter Special.

BERLIN MAY MAINTAIN OFFICERS ON FRANCO SPANISH FRONTIER

London, Apr. 21.

The Spanish Embassy here charges that the German General Staff has decided to keep control of all operations in Spain along the Pyrenean frontier.

It is here, in the mountain passes, that the Insurgents have successfully cut the Loyalists way of retreat into France; and it is here, too, that the French have displayed concern for the security of their own border.

It is understood that simultaneously with the German decision a number of high officers have been despatched from Munich to direct the new Insurgent offensive in southern Spain.—United Press.

INSURGENT POSITION SECURE

San Sebastian, Apr. 21. Three types of flying boats for the Tortosa sector as the Insurgents attained their immediate objective, and secured the Ebro River as the northern boundary of their corridor to the sea.

The destruction of the bridges over the Ebro River removed the danger of Loyalist counter-attacks.

By the capture yesterday of Alcala de Chiver, on the southern boundary of the corridor, General Franco established himself along 30 miles of the Mediterranean coast.

A report states that seven were killed and 20 injured in a raid by four Insurgent planes on Puigcerda. In the course of the attack, a train load of foodstuffs for Barcelona was destroyed, and the railway station set on fire.—Reuter Special.

DE VALERA SUPPORTS DR. HYDE

Protestant President Of Eire Possible

Dublin, Apr. 21. Representatives of Mr. Eamon De Valera's and Mr. Cosgrave's parties met in an informal conference at Parliament House to-day for the first time since 1922, when they unanimously decided to invite Senator Dr. Hyde, 78 year-old ex-Professor of Irish of the National University, to accept nomination for the new Presidency of Eire.

The decision came as a complete surprise, as he is a Protestant, a former President of the Gaelic League, and has lived in retirement for 20 years.

Mr. De Valera surprisingly nominated him a member of the Senate three weeks ago.

If he accepts the nomination for Presidency it appears likely that he will be returned unopposed on May 4 for a term of office of seven years. He will live in the Vice-Regal Lodge and will receive an income of £15,000 a year.—Reuter.

SNATCHER ADMITS ATTEMPT

Sentence of four months' imprisonment was imposed on Wong Hong, 18, by Mr. R. Edwards at Central Magistracy this morning when Wong pleaded guilty to a charge of attempted larceny of a metal watch and a gold chain.

Ambassador Arriving Here Soon

Now In Hankow After Chungking Visit

The Telegraph understands from an authoritative source that the British Ambassador to China will pass through Hongkong at the end of the month en route from Chungking to Shanghai.

There is no official explanation regarding the purpose of the Ambassador's protracted stay in Shanghai. It will be recalled that Sir Archibald Clark Kerr spent a considerable time there before actually presenting his credentials to the Chinese Government in Chungking. His stay in the temporary Chinese capital has been of short duration, for the Ambassador is now in Hankow.

He will leave Hankow by special train for Canton on Monday, and will arrive in the Kwangtung capital two or three days later.

After a short stay in Canton, the Ambassador will travel on to Hongkong, and from here to Shanghai by steamer.

Sir Archibald is accompanied by his wife on all his extensive travels in China. The Ambassador and Lady Kerr travelled from Canton to Chungking by aeroplane.

In each case, the Japanese authorities have been forewarned of His Excellency's itinerary, and elaborate precautions have been taken to prevent a recurrence of the incident in which the Ambassador's predecessor was involved.

Haile Selassie Will Watch League Action

Geneva, Apr. 21. Haile Selassie, former Emperor of Ethiopia, has informed the Secretariat of the League of Nations that he will be represented at the next session of the Council opening on May 9, at which the question of recognition of the Italian conquest of Abyssinia will be discussed.—Reuter Bulletin.

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LX134 to LX136	Suite No. 2 in B minor for Flute and Strings. (Bach)	Mengelburg and Concertgebow Orch.
LX304 to LX306	Sonata No. 5 in F minor. (Bach)	Alfred Dubois Viol. Marcel Maas Piano.
LX031 to LX034	Concerto No. 1 in C major. (Beethoven)	Gieseking Piano and Berlin State Orch.
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LX161	Egmont Overture. (Beethoven)	Mengelburg and Concertgebow Orch.
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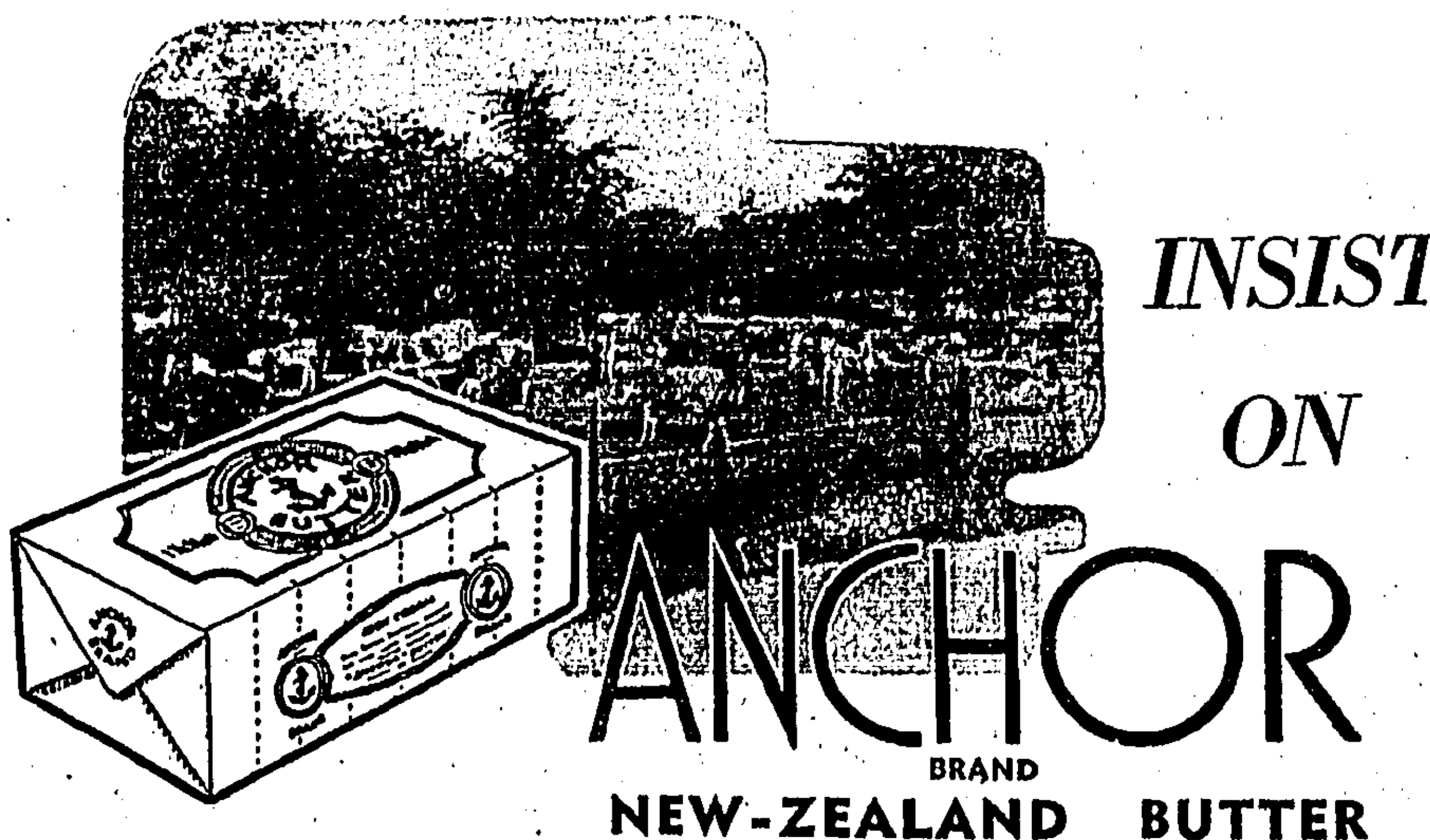
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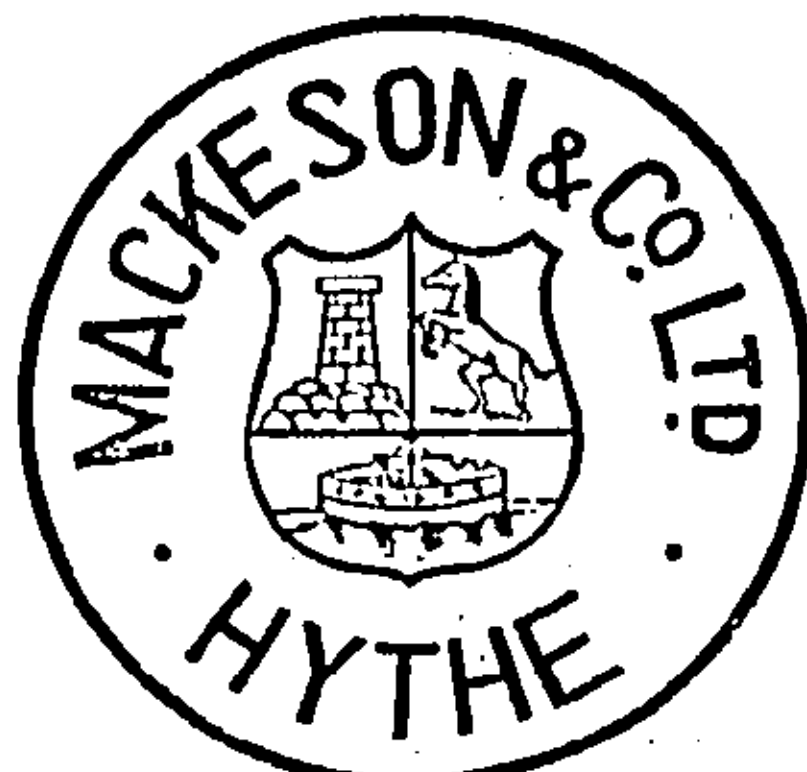
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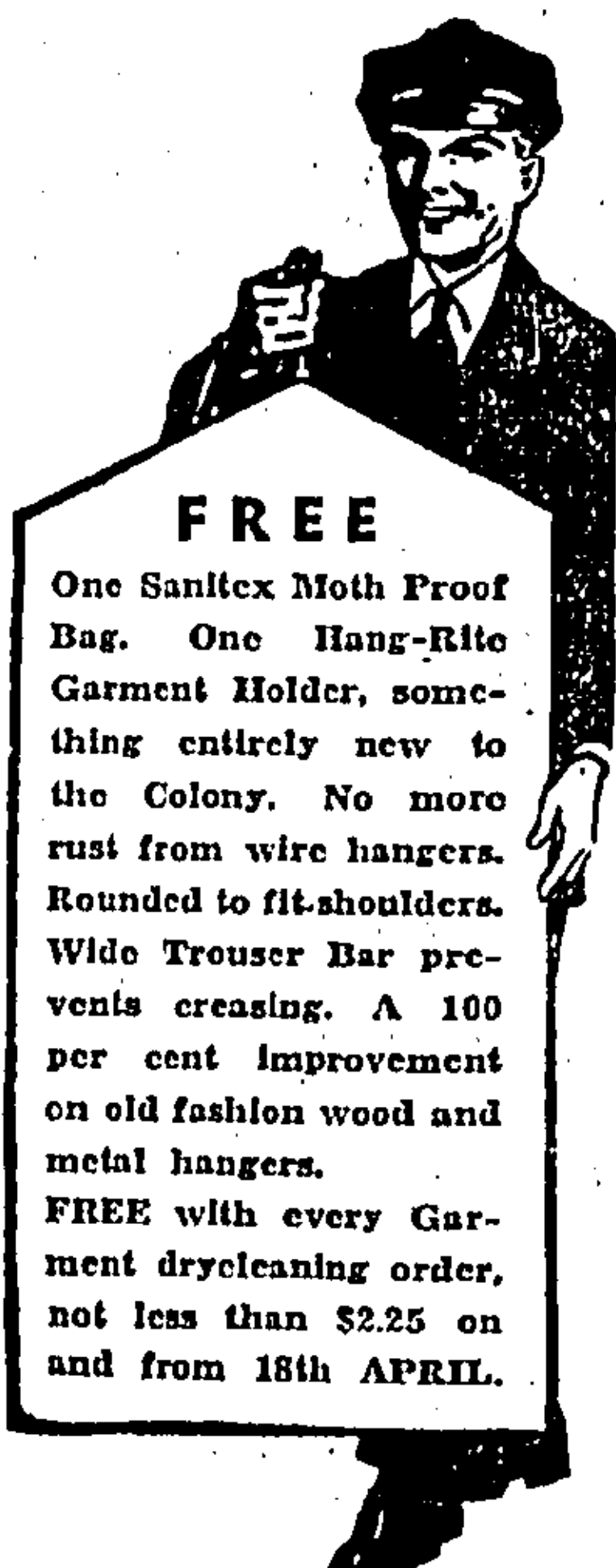
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**TRADE OFFERS
SECURITY**

It has been said that all wars are fought for trade. Many economists now preach that the causes of war would be removed to a great extent if the world could once more enjoy free commercial intercourse. One of the most convincing arguments in this connection recently was advanced by Mr. W. A. Aldrich, chairman of the Board of Directors of the Chase National Bank of New York. He is recognised as an authority on his subject. "An easy flow of international trade is one of the surest foundations of international peace," he said. He was advocating the reduction of American trade restrictions, and it has been through the influence of such men and with the sympathy of the Roosevelt administration that the British overtures for a trade pact have won such a splendid response from the United States. There can be no doubt but that the collaboration of these two great commercial systems, represented by the British and American democracies, can show the world the easiest way out of the present economic morass.

It is really such an obvious course, that which Mr. Aldrich and his proponents advocate, that it requires little explanation. First, it must be granted that the prosperity of any nation is generally estimated upon its internal and external trade, and of the two the latter is the most trustworthy criterion. If a nation is going to sell goods, however, it must also be prepared to buy. The moment it tries to sell without buying it is straining the credit of its customer. Ultimately those credits must become frozen, and the buying country gets increasingly into debt, and the selling country finds itself with nothing but uncollectable foreign loans in exchange for goods it has exported. It is necessary to adopt a "cash" system, and the creditor countries must be paid in gold. It is apparent that this one-sided arrangement must soon come to an end for the gold is quickly exhausted.

Debtor countries are driven to desperate expedients by trade restrictions. Since they cannot sell, they cannot buy, and they are forced to attempt, sometimes with fair results, to produce some sort of substitute for the imports they are lacking. To-day the world can see the result of the trade war: Ger-

THE "VERY IDEA"

IN A DAZZLING FLASH IT CAME TO US

By Eddie "Thin Man" Kelly
SINCE LAST WEEK-END WE HAVE BEEN DOING A SPOT OF SLEUTHING.

As a result we can now announce that we have solved the mystery of the post office explosions.

We had to discard several theories before we finally did so. At first it was believed that a popular young man about town, well-dressed, upper part of lip covered with faint wavy moustache; handsome; brilliant raconteur, whose name we can't mention here because it's one of the rules of journalism that you can't give yourself a puff, may have written a rather inflammatory letter to one of his girl friends.

There was every indication, also, that the same chappie was due to receive an explosive letter from a low-down Accountant who seems to do nothing all day but gloat over old autographs, signed in hotels and other like places.

Neither of these caused the Post Office Explosions. Nor was it caused by Mr. Wynne Jones, the Postmaster General, expressing annoyance when he discovered that some low cad had pinched the gum from one of his new two-cent stamps.

As a matter of fact, our theory is that there wasn't an explosion. There was definitely a loud bang!

And plenty of smoke.

Anyone with a spot of reasoning should have known that the bang was the Rent Commission's Report.

If you search around you can still see the smoke. Every now and then a high Government official or a landlord peeks out from behind it and shouts "Boo!" to the tenants.

Letters now away from this loathsome office!

HOW LONG DO YOU WANT TO LIVE?

by
James A gate

AT first sight this is a silly question. Silly, because the answer so obviously is: As long as I jolly well can. I think a better answer would be: As long as I can and still remain jolly.

Does any man really want to live after he is, as Shakespeare says, "Sans teeth, sans eyes, sans taste, sans everything"?

It is always as well to know exactly what one is talking about. Therefore let it be made clear that what I want to discuss is sticking on to life and not avoiding death. On that subject Claudio in Shakespeare's "Measure for Measure" has said the last word:

The weariest and most-loathed worldly life
That age, ache, penury and imprisonment
Can lay on nature is a paradise
To what we fear of death.

No man ever feared dying more than Dr. Johnson, and Boswell's "Life" has many passages on the subject. Here is one:

I mentioned to him that I had seen the execution of several convicts at Tyburn, two days before, and that none of them seemed to be under any concern. JOHNSON: "Most of them, sir, have never thought at all."

BOSWELL: "But is not the fear of death natural to man?" JOHNSON: "So much so, sir, that the whole of life is not keeping away the thoughts of it." He then, in a low and earnest tone, talked of his meditating upon the awful hour of his own dissolution, and in what manner he should conduct himself upon that occasion: "I know not (said he) whether I should wish to have a friend by me, or have it all between God and myself."

Probably a much more worthwhile question would be: How long should a man want to live? A noble answer would be: Until he has accomplished the work he was sent into the world to do.

many and Italy, as examples, buying the minimum of wheat, lard, tobacco, cotton, wool and numerous other essential commodities in the world market, and falling back on substitutes.

And as a next step in this argument for freer trade let Mr. Aldrich speak: "We see the tendency for countries which have not the cash resources to buy freely in the outside world the raw materials and foods that they need, going to war or threatening to go to war, for colonies from which they believe they might obtain food or raw materials. If they had easy access to the world markets so that they could send out the goods they produce efficiently in exchange for those vitally needed foods and raw materials, we should have a very different picture."

It is far better, as Mr. Aldrich says, for people to work for their living rather than fight for it. And unrestricted trade goes far towards removing the excuse for combat.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"—until death, or Court, do you part."

A PRACTICAL way of solving our little problem is to arrange that one's work is of a sort to last one's lifetime.

Let us not become like that miserable old buffer, William Congreve, who first dazzled the London stage in 1693 with a play called "The Old Bachelor," written at the age of twenty-three. Four years later he wrote his single tragedy* containing the famous line which is always quoted as

"Hell hath no fury like a woman scorned."

Congreve wrote three other comedies which make up the finest prose trio in the English language, the last being "The Way of the World," written at the age of thirty.

MOST inexplicable of all is the case of Shakespeare, with this difference—that the greatest dramatist who has ever lived seemed to care little for fame even when he had it. Fame as a poet, yes; fame as a dramatist, no.

Now why did Shakespeare at the height of his powers give up playwriting, sell his shares in the Globe Theatre, and retire to Stratford?

This is a problem the world will never solve. Yet that Shakespeare retained some interest in the theatre is proved by the fact that after he had retired to Stratford he bought a town house near the Blackfriars Theatre.

Rowe gives a possible explanation. "The latter part of Shakespeare's life was spent, as all men of sense may wish theirs may be in ease, retirement, and the conversation of his friends."

Perhaps Anne Hathaway had her way in this matter.

WHICH reminds me of Hortense Hathaway, who, as all good readers of Damon Runyon know, is the daughter of a taxi-jockey by the name of Skush O'Brien, and a very rough guy at that.

This Hathaway, on her marriage to Feet Samuels, retires from the Hot Box, which is a cafe where they sell rock candy and rye whisky without the rock candy to the country to raise chickens.

Which, again, brings our story down to modern times and the solution to a problem which must always be personal. We have mentioned Gustavus Adolphus, Dr. Johnson, Nelson, Napoleon, Master Betty, Congreve, Voltaire, Bismarck, and the ex-Kaiser, and I do not figure that I am much like any of these except perhaps Gustavus Adolphus.

But I know this: that if ever I inherit a fortune I shall retire to the country, raise so many ponies that you can't see the landscape for hoofs, and live as long as I can without worrying too much whether I am of any use to anybody.

No. What is imperishable fame—and Napoleon's fame was certain whichever way the battle went—weighed in the scales against twenty years, a year, a month, another day? Which of us, unless he is in unbearable physical agony, would leave the world one instant sooner for any reward whatsoever?

Heroes, I think, are not moved to the deeds which make them heroes by the prospect of renown present or posthumous; were they so moved the deeds would not be done.

NOW take the case of Master Betty the boy-actor who was known as the Young Roscius. This Infant Phenomenon, who was born at Shrewsbury in 1791, made his first stage appearance in Belfast at the age of eleven.

At once he leaped into fame as a great tragic actor, for indeed he was able to sustain the heaviest tragic roles.

The time was admittedly in the boy's favour. Garrick had been dead some twenty years and the great Kean was not to make his appearance in London for another twelve.

Still there were some good actors about, and there must have been something in the boy, since in those days the playhouse was the repair of all the wits. Master Betty pleased these mightily and for five years earned from fifty to seventy-five guineas a night!

In 1805 the House of Commons adjourned to witness Master Betty's Hamlet.

At the age of thirty-three this young gentleman retired, after which, having amassed a fortune, he lived in total obscurity and perfect content for, if you please, a whole half-century.

He died three years before I was born, and I once spoke to somebody who knew Master Betty in his old age and did not at the time realise that he had ever had any connection with the stage. Is anybody going to begrudge the old gentleman those fifty years?

On the other hand, I am one of those who have always regretted that the Kaiser, when he saw that the game was up, did not go over the top single-handed, if possible on a white horse, and drawing a sabre. This gesture would have shown the world that the Boche Emperor was made of the same metal as the Boche private.

The difference between Napoleon and the Kaiser is the difference between anti-climax and ignominy. I have long suspected that Bismarck's "lath painted to look like iron" was less applicable to the British statesman of whom it was said than to his own master.

I think the answer must be:

SCIENCE PERFECTS GERM DEATH-RAY

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LAMP LIKE NEON SIGN

BY MARTIN KANE
United Press Staff Correspondent

New York.

A DEATH RAY for microbes, so practical and inexpensive that restaurants, soda fountains, butcher shops and bakeries and even cosmeticians may use it, was demonstrated here before 1,000 of the nation's public health authorities, physicians and scientists.

The ray kills typhoid germs in eight seconds. Other germs are destroyed in less time. The black mold that forms on bread is the toughest yet discovered, requiring 19 minutes of exposure at a distance of four inches to be killed. But bacteria so far studied fall between these extremes.

BETTER THAN SUNLIGHT
Light rays which kill germs are not new to science. Ordinary sunlight does the job, but is comparatively weak and takes much time to be effective. The warmth that accompanies sunlight breeds germs while the light is killing them. Sunlight is confined to the outdoors, and so is useless for factory and shop sanitation. Some ultra-violet lamps kill germs, but also emit heat, and so are impractical for use in refrigerators. They make meats rancid. They require too much electric power to operate economically and the quartz envelopes necessary to pass the ultra-violet radiation are expensive.

Dr. Harvey C. Rentschler, director of research of the Westinghouse lamp laboratory and co-developer of the apparatus with Dr. Robert F. James, disclosed that he had perfected a process of sterilization by selective ultra-violet radiation which conquered all these common objections.

REDUCES TIME ELEMENT
One of the germ-killers would cost about \$15, he said. It would be useful for 40,000 hours and cost less to operate than a Christmas tree bulb. It emits scarcely any heat and has been used successfully in home refrigerators. It reduces the time required for aging beef (about three weeks) to a few days.

The sanitary experts saw Dr. Rentschler place a drop of water under the lens of a projecting microscope. On a theatre-size screen they watched Paramecia (micro-organisms found in pond water) scurry about in their constant search for food. Then the Rentschler-James ray was turned on. For a few seconds the Paramecia scurried even faster. Then they began to shiver and tremble. Finally they stopped all movement. They were dead, but even after death they continued their work. Blisters appeared on their bodies. The blisters swelled. In less than two minutes the Paramecia exploded, bursting in the water like puff balls. It required 40 seconds to kill them, and about 90 seconds for the final explosion.

GOOD STERILIZER
The ray is even more effective in air. Dr. Doryl Hays, surgeon-in-chief of Duke Hospital, Durham, N.C., reported on its efficiency in the operating room, as a result of which the hospital now uses the lamps in every major operation.

The lamp is a tubular device, something like a neon sign. It glows with a soft pale-blue light. At a soda fountain, for instance, the glasses would have to be washed in the ordinary manner, then placed under the lamp for as little as 30 seconds. By that time they would be comparatively sterile. In big establishments the glasses might be moved under the lamp on slow belts.

NOTICE TO LETTER WRITERS

In fairness to all, the Hongkong Telegraph cannot publish letters to the Editor in reply to signed contributions which the authors are not also prepared to sign.

The letter from "J.C." in answer to Mr. Hess on the Sudeto German question is not printed for this reason.—Editor.

JAPANESE WARSHIPS OFF FOCHOW

Fochow, April 22. Several Japanese warships arrived off the coast here recently. They have so far remained inactive. On April 19, a large Japanese war vessel dropped anchor just outside here. There are seven Japanese warships near Kimo Island east of Amoy.—Central News.

HOLLYWOOD FILM STARS RECEIVE AWARDS



Couple Married By Their Son

WILLIS PRESSEY, aged eighty-one, and Mrs. Flora Pressey, aged seventy-eight, divorced thirty-four years ago, have been remarried at Coalinga, California—at the request of their children. To complete the family's "triumph"—one of their sons, Justice M. B. Pressey, performed the marriage ceremony.

Dead Man's Eye Aids Blind

San Francisco. THE EYE of a dead man was substituted for a sightless eye of blind Father Antonio M. Santandreu, enabling him to see again, the San Francisco News said recently in revealing an apparently unprecedented operation.

In the shaded seclusion of his study, Father Santandreu today is able to distinguish light, movement and a trace of colour. A month previous to the operation, the cornea of his right eye was removed and replaced by one taken from a dead man.

The unidentified San Francisco surgeon who performed the operation said the 84-year-old pastor of Our Lady of Guadalupe Church soon will be completely normal as far as eyesight is concerned.

BECAME BLIND
Father Santandreu lost the sight of his left eye several years ago. Unwilling to give up his church career, he continued at work. Later the sight of his right eye began to fade, and finally the priest became blind, the News said.

Despite his advanced age, Father Santandreu was willing to undergo the delicate operation. Medical men describe the cornea as the "window" of the eye. It is a transparent outer coating of the eyeball which is analogous to the crystal of a watch. The entire right eye of a dead man was removed within a few hours after death, the News said, and was refrigerated for several days.

EYE TRANSFERRED
With a needle-like instrument, the surgeon removed a disc one-sixth of a millimeter in diameter from the "dead" eye. Then, with the same instrument, he removed a rise of the same size from the priest's eye.

After the transfer was made, Father Santandreu spent several days in the hospital, his eyes swathed in bandages, the News said. Physicians agreed that it was the priest's courage and confidence in the surgeon that made the operation possible and successful.—United Press.

Helen Wills To Make Comeback

San Francisco. Mrs. Helen Wills Moody, former United States and Wimbledon lawn tennis champion, is preparing to return to competitive tennis this summer.

A tentative itinerary, which is dependent on her health and other considerations, includes the championships at Warsaw, Berlin, and Wimbledon.

"It is pretty definite now," she said today. "I leave for Europe in May." She added that she felt "perfect" and was no longer bothered by the back injury which caused her retirement from first-class tennis in 1933, but if she plays at Wimbledon it will probably be in the doubles only.—Reuter.

LOUIS B. MAYER, left, vice-president of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, representing Spencer Tracy (who was in hospital recuperating from an operation), accepting the award of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences from President Frank Capra, right, for the best male performance of 1937 and handed it to Mrs. Tracy. To the left of Mrs. Tracy is Luise Rainer, winner for the best feminine performance, and the only person ever to win two acting awards, and those in consecutive years for "The Great Ziegfeld" and "The Good Earth." Tracy's statuette was presented for his work in "Captains Courageous."

Coveted Academy Awards Presented To Stars

METRO-GOLDWYN-MAYER ran off with the lion's share of the awards for 1937, conferred annually by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences.

Luise Rainer was declared the best actress of 1937 and Spencer Tracy the best actor. Miss Rainer walked off with top honours for her portrayal of the role of Olan in "The Good Earth." This is the second time in succession that Miss Rainer has been so honoured. Last year she was acclaimed the best actress for her work in "The Great Ziegfeld." Spencer Tracy won the statuette for his performance in "Captains Courageous," in which he portrayed Manuel, the Portuguese fisherman.

Wallis Blue Is Out of Fashion DUCHESS CHOOSES NEW COLOURS

Paris. As the Duchess of Windsor chooses, so choose the world.

If this new fashion motto holds true, the world will lengthen its jackets to the Mainbocher waistline; adopt the exceedingly popular pink and black colour scheme for both day and evening; put capes or day dress so they will be suitable for street wear, and brighter dark dresses with colourful embroidery, applique or gilets.

It will concentrate on black for day and show a preference for navy (not Wallis) blue and white. It will look kindly upon bright yellow for evening, but choose mostly black or white, with perhaps one dinner gown in the new cerise and cyclamen combination. It will adopt romantic silhouettes in glamorous tulle and the Duchess's favourite paillettes.

For such are the choices of the Duchess of Windsor after viewing Mainbocher's collection three times in an effort to make up her mind. Three fittings over, the first instalment of her spring wardrobe has arrived at Versailles. It is considered typical of her favourite dressmaker's dramatic collection, which is being widely attended by those eager to copy the Duchess and perhaps catch a glimpse of her on one of her frequent trips to the fashion house.

CONTRASTING COLOURS
The Duchess's new wardrobe will include dark dresses with the contrasting coloured jackets featured throughout the collection.

One of her two-piece navy prints will be in a design which resembles lace paper cupboard edgings. As only one with very slim hips can do, she will have a good deal of below-the-waist drapery. She will have a pink jacket which fastens on one side with jewels worn over a slim black dinner dress.

EVENING GOWNS
Among her choices are several sequined gowns built on the same lines as one of the Duchess's favourite ensembles in which she was seen dining at Maxims recently. It consists of a blue sequin tulle blouse on which Persian warriors are outlined in white sequins, and is worn with a long, finely pleated blue skirt and straight wool jacket.

Among the specialties of the Mainbocher collection, which especially attracted the Duchess were the numerous tulle evening gowns, many

Other honours won by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer are as follows: Karl Freund received first prize in the cinematography division for his photography in "The Good Earth."

"Torture Money," a Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer two-reel short in black and white, and "Penny Wisdom," a Pete Smith colour short, won honours in the short subjects division. In the scientific division, Douglas Shearer and the M-G-M sound department won a plaque for a method of varying the scanning width of variable density sound tracks ("squeeze tracks") for the purpose of obtaining an increased amount of noise reduction. The judges find the use of this method leads to an increased volume range in the theatre.

John Arnold and the M-G-M camera department won honourable mention for their improvement of the semi-automatic follow focus device and its application to all of the cameras used by the M-G-M studios.

Douglas Shearer and the M-G-M sound department also won honourable mention for the design of the film drive mechanism as incorporated in the Erpi 1010 Reproducer.

Just A Letter From A "Frend"

Santa Fe, N. M. J. H. (Bert) Baker, clerk in the automobile licence bureau, has on file a letter from a "frend" who said he paid too much "monie" for his "busted truck" licence and wanted a refund.

Following is the letter: "Dear Mister Bud Baker, "Trucke Lisens depart. Court Room

"My frend I was write this to let you no that you cheated me to much for my trucke wen you mad me giv you 13 and twenty fly cents for 2 plates for my Old forde becus it is to old and runs sometime not any and becus of trouble I hav a wife what dose not work so you se I cant pay good monie like those for my famely and a bustid trucke.

"My number is in the booch and I live at — and I am

"Your frend
"P. S. My frends tole me that I was to pay onlie 10 dollers wich is to much for this old junk.

"Dont send the monie to my wife becus I dont get it."

made with skirts of several full tiers contrasting in colour with their slim bodies.

Others, mostly in black, are extensively embroidered in sequins. The Duchess probably will appear in these gowns during the coming round of social events. She is also fond of Mainbocher's tinkling embroidery.

RADIO BROADCAST

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H.K.T. 12.0-12.20 p.m. Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 Songs by Lucienne Boyer (Soprano).

It's A Thrill All Over Again (From "Continental Varieties of 1937"); I Found a Bit of Paris in the Heart of Old New York (From "Continental Varieties of 1937"); Ballade (Jambun and Delettre).

12.40 Orchestra Mascotte. Ball Strips—Waltz Tunes (From "Merry Widow"—Lehar); Lyssistrata—Waltz (Paul Lincke); Under The Rainbow—Waltz (Waldteufel); North Sea Waves—Waltz (S. Krannig); Waltz Of The Dolls (After Motifs from The Ballet "The Fairy Doll"); Exultation—Waltz (W. Lautenschlager); Spinnmörner (Waltz—Loisy).

1.0 Time and Weather. 1.03 Keith Falkner (Baritone) And De Groot & His Orchestra.

"The Merry Widow"—Selection (Lehar)... Orchestra; Without The Moon (From "Mayfair Melody"); San Diego Betty (From "Mayfair Melody"); Keith Falkner; "Gypsy Love"—Selection (Lehar)... Orchestra; Wings (From "Mayfair Melody")... Keith Falkner; Ay, Ay, Ay ("Guyana"—Perez, Freire); Standchen (Strauss)... Orchestra.

1.30 Reuter & Rugby Press; Weather and Announcements.

1.40 New Variety.

Dance Band—Quick-Step Medley; Slow Fox-Trot Medley... Jack Dent And Norrie Moore (Two Pianists with Bass & Drums) under the direction of Henry Jacques; Humorous—Going To The Pictures; Sketch... The Two Cockney Kids (Ethel Rensell & Gracie West); Organ Solo—"Rosalie"—Selection (Cole Porter); Once In A While (Green Edwards)... Al Bollington at the Organ of the Paramount Theatre, London; Accordion—Hit Medley... George Scott-Wood And His Accordion; Band... Band with vocal refrain; Orchestra—"Big Broadcast of 1938"—Selection (Robin-Ranger); With Organ... Anton & The Paramount Theatre Orch.

London. Al Bollington at the Organ; Dance Orchestra—Thanks For The Memory—Fox-Trot (From "Big Broadcast of 1938")... Roy Fox And His Orchestra with vocal refrain by Denny Dennis.

2.15 Close Down.

6.0-7.0 Chinese Programme.

7.0 New Variety And Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—Jubilee (From "Every Day's A Holiday"); The Dipsy Doodle (Clinton)... Nat. Gonella & His Georgians; Quickstep—Bob White (Mercer-Hanighen); Slow Fox-Trot—Quicksands (Call Twomey)... Gerry Moore, (Piano Solo) with String, Bass & Drums under the supervision of Victor Silvester; Accordion—Band—Who Cares?—Intermezzo; Little Anna—Waltz... Jungheer's Accordion Melodians; Tangos—Pura Milonga ("see Pecora"); Mal De Ausencia (Carraro-Pelny); Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro; Piano Solo—Once In A While (Green Edwards); It's A Long, Long Way To Your Heart (Pola-Brandt)... Leslie Hutchinson; Slow Fox-Trot—Little Heaven (The Seven Seas); Quickstep, Smiley (From "Double or Nothing")... Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra.

7.37 Closing local Stock Quotations.

7.40 London Relay—"Food For Thought."

Three short talks on matters of topical interest.

8.00 Time Weather and Announcements.

8.03 Studio—Concert by Prue Lewis (Violin), Lindsay A. Lafford (Piano) And Gaston D'Aquino (Tenor).

1. Piano: Air de Ballet No. 1 in G (Chaminade); 2. Violin: (a) Gavotte (Rameau); (b) Menuett (Mozart); 3. Vocal: (a) Tristesse du Soir (Massenet); (b) Ave Maria (Kahn); (c) La Sereנית (Tosti); 4. Violin: (a) La Precluse (Couperin); (b) An Autumn Song (Morava); 5. Piano: Three Preludes (Chopin); 6. Minor; 8.40 Beethoven—Symphony in D (No. 2).

Played by The London Symphony Orchestra conducted by Sir Thomas Beecham.

9.13 Studio—Piano Duet by Prof. Harry Ore and Miss M. Gubbay. Liszt—"Les Preludes"—arr. for 4 hands.

9.30 London Relay—"The News."

9.50 Dance Records. Tap-Dance—Marie (Berlin)... Victor Silvester And His Ballroom Orchestra; Fox-Trot—Let 'Er Go; The Snake Charmer... Nat. Gonella & His Georgians with vocal refrain by Nat. Gonella & The Jackdaws.

10.0 London Relay—"Palace Of Varieties."

Licencee and Manager, Ernest Longstaffe; Harold Walden (The B.B.C. Centre-forward); G. H. Elliott (The Chocolate-coloured Coco) Kitty Kays and Connie Groome (The Comedy Girls); Florence Oldham (Radio Oway); George Robey (The Prime Minister of Mirth); Leon Cortez And His Coster Pals.

The B.B.C. Variety Orchestra conducted by Ernest Longstaffe Chairman Herman Darewski.

11.0 Close Down.

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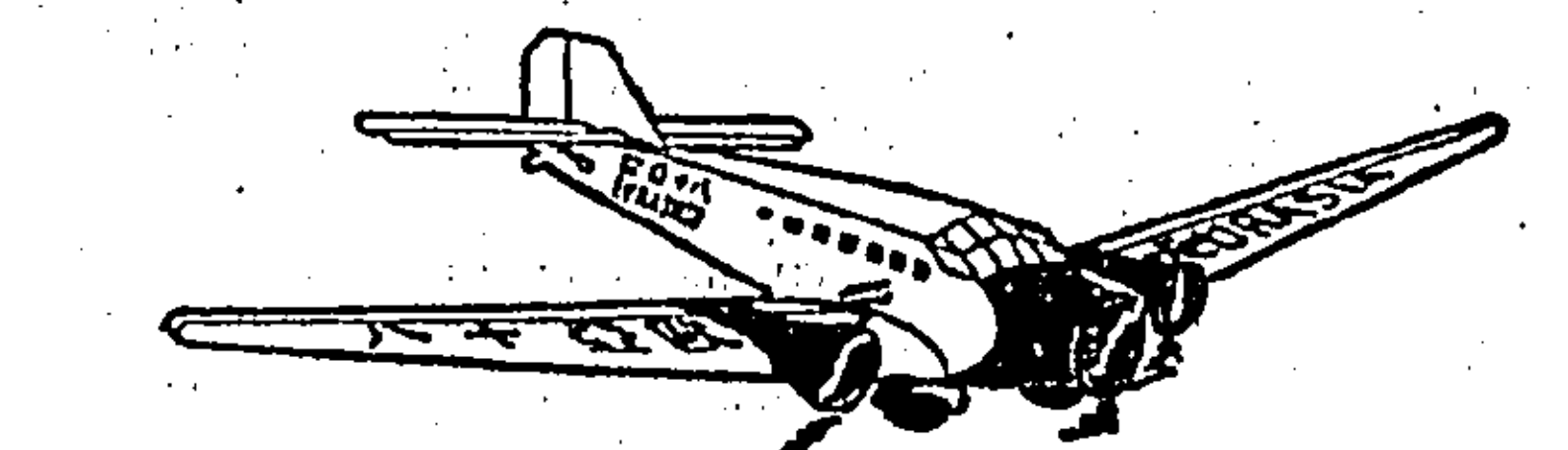
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RUMJAHN COUSINS NOT FULLY TESTED YESTERDAY

Mighty Silkylight Beaten By Desert Chief

A POOR SHOW PUT UP BY TRIPLE CROWN WINNER

Two Track Records Broken At Easter Race Meeting

(By "Captain Foster")

After a sequence of four successful outings, the mighty Shanghai pride, Silkylight, owned by Mr. Moller was not only badly beaten by Mr. Eu Tong-sen's Desert Chief, but the champion had also to bow to Mrs. Dunbar's Bear Claw in the major contest, the Easter Stakes, over a mile run last Monday.

The latter astounded every racing expert while Silkylight put up a very poor show. This was one of the main features of the Easter Race Meeting, which was a great success. The racing itself was of a very high standard with plenty of thrills and exciting finishes. The favourites held their own on the first day, but on Monday the dividends were quite good, the best being \$121.00 for a place paid by that great old timer—Racing Boy. He was kindly treated by the weight controller with the lowest impost in the Boon Vista Handicap (second section) and had he reached the touch line first, Racing Boy would have handed out over \$300 for a win. However, I have taken the trouble to segregate the margin of defeats with the following results:

Short Head	2	3
A Head	2	3
A Neck	2	3
Half-a-length	1	1
1½ Lengths	5	5
2 Lengths	5	5
3 Lengths	1	1
Many lengths	1	1

Total 20
It will be observed that 13 events out of an aggregate of 20 were won between a short head to a length and a half while seven were from two lengths onwards.

The grass course was very hard; in fact the thud of the hoofs could be heard at a good distance as the steeds came tearing down the straight and the going was exceptionally fast, with the result that two track records were established. On Saturday Desert Chief set up a new time, namely, 2:05 as against 2:08.2/5, for China ponies over a distance from the two mile post, once round and in, whilst on Monday the Australian pony, Strathroy, lowered Saucy Face's mile record of a minute and forty-five seconds by three-fifths of a second. Punters will no doubt be interested to know that Humdrum Eve, who annexed the Deep Bay Handicap "C" class over six furlongs, was carrying 105 lbs. and this chestnut gelding of the stable Lan took 1:28.3/5 to cover the four of which a note should be kept for the future. While on the subject I made certain references in my last racing notes about Good Morning and Tempest's gallop performed about a fortnight ago, and I gave my vote to Tempest as the winner in the Taiwan Bui Handicap (second section). The result was Golden Cow, Tempest and Ebony Idol, but the second pony paid \$11 for a place and this was not a bad tipping.

The following list shows the successes of the jockeys during the two days of the Easter Meeting:

	1st	2nd	3rd
C. Encarnacao	4	2	2
H. C. Pih	2	4	1
D. Black	2	3	3
S. Proulx	2	1	4
S. C. Liang	2	1	2
S. W. Tang	1	3	—
H. P. Chanon	1	2	—
B. L. Tao	1	1	1
K. L. Gregory	1	1	—
C. I. Ip	1	1	—
F. F. Li	1	—	—
V. V. Needa	1	—	—

S. L. Yuen	1	—
L. B. Chao	1	1
Y. T. Fung	—	2
W. Poy	—	2
H. de Boleho	—	1
C. P. Ferguson	—	1

It will be seen that Shanghai crack jockey, Mr. Encarnacao, rode four winners with a couple of second and third places, but Messrs. Pih, Black, Proulx and Liang each scored a double. Contrary to expectation, Mr. H. P. Chanon weighed out three times with a win and a couple of seconds, but Mr. Needa, after piloting King's Privilege to victory in the Roschill Stakes, had to retire feeling unwell. By riding a win on Jobber in the Sugar Loaf Handicap, Mr. Gregory requires another successful mount to emerge from the novice class. Mr. A. F. D. Colson made his debut as a jockey but with no success.

Desert Chief Wins Easily In A Canter

Lowers Record In Mrs Bay H'cap

One of the fastest races to be seen at Happy Valley was in the opening event, the Mrs Bay Handicap, over a course from the two mile post, once round and in, when Desert Chief with the assistance of Mr. Encarnacao romped home first in easy fashion to annex the "A" class contest for China ponies in record time of 2:05, lowering the track figure by three two-fifths seconds. It was certainly an amazing feat, for all the other starters could not follow the pace set by the winner long before the ½ mile beacon was reached. At the release of the barriers, Gladiator, who drew No. 1, was immediately followed by Desert Chief with the rest of the field in the rear. After passing the Royal Navy Pavilion, Desert Chief drew level with Gladiator and they were chased by King's Warden and Soldier of Britain. At the bottom of the hill, Desert Chief increased the lead, but the rest of the field were under hard pressure and when the steeds passed "Black Rock," Mr. Eu Tong-sen's candidate was well ahead (going easy) of the pack by few lengths. It could be seen at this stage of the race that King's Warden, Gladiator, Wild Life and others could make no impression on the leader and it was left to Desert Chief to win as he liked. The stallion cantered home with the greatest ease and the verdict awarded was by many lengths in record time of two minutes five seconds for a distance of about one mile 171 yards with a burden of 104 lbs. It is, however, interesting to relate that the last half-a-mile was 58.4/5 seconds and



A composite picture of the Third Extra Race Meeting held at Happy Valley during the Easter holidays last week-end when two new track records were established. Mr. T. E. Pearce is seen at the top right hand corner leading in King's Privilege (Mr. V. V. Needa up) which won the Roschill Stakes. (Photo: Race Pictorial).

Cricket

Barnes Injures His Wrist

London, Apr. 21.
Sidney Barnes, the "bobby" of the Australian touring cricket team to England, will have his wrist X-rayed as a break is feared.
In any case, he is not likely to play for at least a month.—Reuter.

Barnes hurt his wrist on board ship while indulging in acrobatics on the deck.
This was two one-fifth seconds faster than the present record held jointly by Buchanan and Much Ado. The last three-quarters of a mile were covered in 1:24.2/5 as against the record of 1:24.3/5 performed by King's Warden and therefore Desert Chief's figure was one-fifth of a second better. The last mile was run in 1:52.1/5 mile record established by Diana Bay. It will be seen that Desert Chief broke unofficially all the existing track figures from a mile and under. It was undoubtedly a magnificent run for a Derby griffin of this season. I have not been able to ascertain the exact age of Desert Chief, but it is reliably learned that he is quite a young animal.

BETTER CLASS ANIMALS BRED EVERY YEAR

Shown By Records In Big Races

Readers please allow me to say a bit out of the usual course? There is no denying that every year produces a better class of cross-bred animals and this can be gauged by the wonderful times established, say since 1932. I am not taking Mr. Dunbar's Liberty Day into consideration, for his pony was a class by himself in his prime with no opposition, but the record of Doctor's Mandate's figure of 2:13.4/5 established in 1932 for a distance over a course from the two mile post, once round and in, (about one mile 171 yards) has been lowered considerably. The following is a list of the fastest times taken from the Racing Record issued by the Hong-kong Jockey Club:

Date	Pony	Weight	Time
23rd Feb.	1932 Doctor's Mandate	108 lbs.	2:13.4/5
23rd Feb.	1933 King's Justice	108 lbs.	2:12.2/5
23rd Feb.	1935 Rubble	100 lbs.	2:12.2/5
23rd Feb.	1936 King's Warden	108 lbs.	2:08.2/5
27th Feb.	1937 Soldier of Britain	107 lbs.	2:08.2/5
27th Feb.	1938 Soldier of Honour	103 lbs.	2:08.2/5
10th April	1938 Desert Chief	104 lbs.	2:05

It will be seen from the above that since 1932 the speed has been gradually accelerating, and then came a sharp decline in the barometer during which King's Warden covered the joint in 2:08.2/5, lowering Rubble's time by fully four seconds. There has been a full

STRATHROY FULLY EXTENDED

Beats Courting Eve By Half A Length

The students of form poured out money like water, the bulk of it going on Strathroy (D. Black) to win the Albury Handicap for "A" class Australian cobs over a mile. The combination must have given a great shock to many punters when they reached home, first by only half-a-length in front of the much improved pony, Courting Eve, and behind came Lancashire Chips who finished a good third. It must be remembered that Strathroy is well advanced in years, but nevertheless Mr. Macgregor's brown gelding set up a new track record for a mile, namely, 1:44.2/5, lowering Saucy Face's time by three-fifths of a second. Strathroy is now the proud possessor of the following distance records:
Five Furlongs carrying 105 lbs. 1:02.2/5
One mile 1:24.2/5
Two mile post 1:52.1/5
Once round and in, 1:53.3/5
1½ miles 3:22.2/5
1¾ miles 3:51.3/5
Mr. D. Black was the pilot in charge for all his outings and the combination is hard to beat.

Cameronian Needs To Be Watched

Wins St. George's Plate Comfortably

I was delighted to see my nomination—Cameronian—capturing the St. George's Plate which was a run over the champion course, for this certainly discounted the impression gained that the animal was only a sprinter. Cameronian had a few pounds to spare when he crossed the wire and a close study of the whole time of 2:26.2/5 revealed some interesting facts. It was the fastest run since the inception of St. George's Plate, it being the first test of a handicap event for China ponies griffin of this season. The last mile was negotiated in 1:57.3/5 which was a creditable performance considering that the greenhorn was carrying 106 lbs. (Continued on Page 9.)

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since then, for neither Soldier of Britain nor Soldier of Honour could improve on the record time, but last Saturday Desert Chief set up a new figure and the question is: How long is it going to last?

SILKYLIGHT NEVER LOOKED LIKE WINNING

Had To Be Urged In Home Stretch

The main event, the Easter Stakes, was originally run as Easter Plate in 1928 over the Derby course, but the distance was shortened to a mile in 1931 and the re-naming of this classic took place in the same year. In perusing the Racing Records, I found the following winners:

Year	Owner	Jockey	Time
1928	Mr. L. Dunbar's	Coor Bay	2:14
1929	Mr. Ho Kom-tong's	Town Hall	2:12.2/5
1930	Mr. Ho Kom-tong's	President Hall	2:08.2/5
1931	Mr. Chan Tin-nien's	Apollo	2:07.2/5
1932	Mr. Dunbar's	Clenengles	2:06.2/5
1933	Mr. L. Dunbar's	Diana Bay	2:05.2/5
1934	Mr. L. Dunbar's	Liberty Day	2:04.2/5
1935	Mr. L. Dunbar's	Liberty Day	2:03.2/5
1936	Mr. L. Dunbar's	Liberty Day	2:02.2/5
1937	Mr. L. Dunbar's	Bear Claw	2:01.2/5
1938	Mr. Eu Tong-sen's	Desert Chief	2:00.2/5

It will be seen that Mr. and Mrs. L. Dunbar have won the classic events from 1932 to 1937 without a break. It will be recalled that at this time last year Bear Claw (Black) created a sensation when he gave a good thrashing to Happy Eve and King's Warden and the nag paid \$65.40 for a win.

When the Telegraph Board was hoisted on Easter Monday with only three runners for the Easter Stakes, it was noticed that Silkylight (Mr. Proulx) had declared a pound over the allotment of the lead to be carried, but it came within the weight for inches as per scale. The object of this was that in the event of Silkylight annexing the Easter Stakes in a fast run, it could be established as a record, but the Shanghai pride met his "Waterloo" in Desert Chief, and the northern challenger was also badly beaten by last year's winner—Bear Claw. Much was expected of the triple crown winner, but Mr. Moller's class animal was doomed long before reaching the distance post. Silkylight never appeared to me at any time of the race that he would give Desert Chief a good run, for in the back stretch the former had to be urged to keep pace with Mr. Eu Tong-sen's candidate. Another thing which struck me was that the manner of running the pony was entirely different from what we had been accustomed to see at the February sessions. In the Easter Stakes the Shanghai challenger took the lead whereas at the Annual Carnival Silkylight was ridden from the back. I wonder whether it would make any difference. At any rate it was a very disappointing display and the pony let the punters down very badly. The race was won by Desert Chief in 1:53.2/5 which was the fastest time ever recorded for the Easter Stakes over a mile, but the Stewards could not take due recognition of the fast, owing to the fact that the chestnut stallion was carrying eight pounds of lead under the scale weight. Bear Claw must have been in great form to finish second.

JUNIOR INTERPORT SOCCER TRIAL

The following have been invited to take part in the second Junior Interport soccer trial, on the Club ground on Sunday at 3 p.m. sharp. As the Senior Shield Final will start at 4 p.m., all players are requested to report to Mr. C. D. Carter at 2.45 p.m. at the latest.

Changes will be made during the game.

Whites:—Hall (20th Battery); Box (Engineers) and Chung Fui-lum

Weight	Jockeys	Time
153	Wong	2:14
153	Hearst	2:12.2/5
153	Front	2:08.2/5
153	Front	2:07.2/5
153	Front	2:06.2/5
153	Front	2:05.2/5
153	Front	2:04.2/5
153	Front	2:03.2/5
153	Front	2:02.2/5
153	Front	2:01.2/5
153	Front	2:00.2/5

(Kwong Wah); Maxwell (Kowloon), Yeung Tse-tong (Kwong Wah), and Pereira (Portuguese Sporting Association); Wong Ki-cheung (Kwong Wah); Frost (Middlesex), Scott (Club), Sumner (24th Battery), and Marabelle (Middlesex).

Blues:—Smith (R.A.S.C.), Ho Young-sang (Kwong Wah), and Haig (Middlesex); Fisher-Cooke (Ordinance), Dudderidge (Engineers), Yau Wah-ning (South China), Marshall (24th Battery), Duffield (Ordinance), Izzard (Middlesex), Calvert (5th Battery R.A.) and Par-tap Singh (Kumnon).

Reserves:—Lawlor (5th Bde. R.A.), Arlington (Medicals), Dawes (Middlesex), Elton (Air Force), Chan Chi-fan (Kwong Wah) and Bancroft (5th Bde. R.A.).

ENTER TENNIS DOUBLE FINAL

GOOD VOLLEYING FEATURES PLAY

(By "Abe")

Because the result of the match was almost certain before play commenced, the semi-final tie in the Colony Tennis Doubles Championship between the Rumjahn cousins and Luk Ding-cheung and Wong Shlu-wing on the stand court of the Hongkong C.C. yesterday was robbed of much of its interest. It was not a severe test for the holders who realised it better than anybody else; they showed it by playing lackadalesically in the opening games of each set and finally winning in three straight.

When these two pairs met in the same round last year, the Chinese collected, eight games. They did better yesterday, taking 13, but the issue, as in the previous match, was

Finals Fixed For Next Week

Provided the replay between Tsui Yun-pui and H. D. Rumjahn in the semi-final is concluded on Monday, the final of the Tennis Singles Championship will be played on Wednesday afternoon, and the final of the doubles on Friday.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, has expressed his intention of being present at both finals. The presentation of prizes will be made at the conclusion of the doubles.

never in doubt. The scores were 6-4, 7-5, 6-4 in favour of the cousins.

Though they must have realised that their chances of causing an upset were not bright, Luk and Wong went about their task admirably, apparently caring little for the reputation of their redoubtable opponents. Helped perhaps by the casual play of the cousins, the C.R.C. combination went into the lead in every set, but each time they were pulled up.

They led 4-2 in the first and second sets, and again they went ahead to 4-3 in the third.

SOMETHING IN HAND

The Rumjahns revealed that they always had something in hand by the manner in which they were able to dominate the exchanges whenever they were in danger of losing a set.

In the opening games of every set, however, the Chinese more than held their own in the rallies, some of which were of a very high standard. Play was punctuated by volleying duels near the net, and though they were almost always outplayed Luk and Wong helped to treat the mere handful of spectators to some really fine tennis.

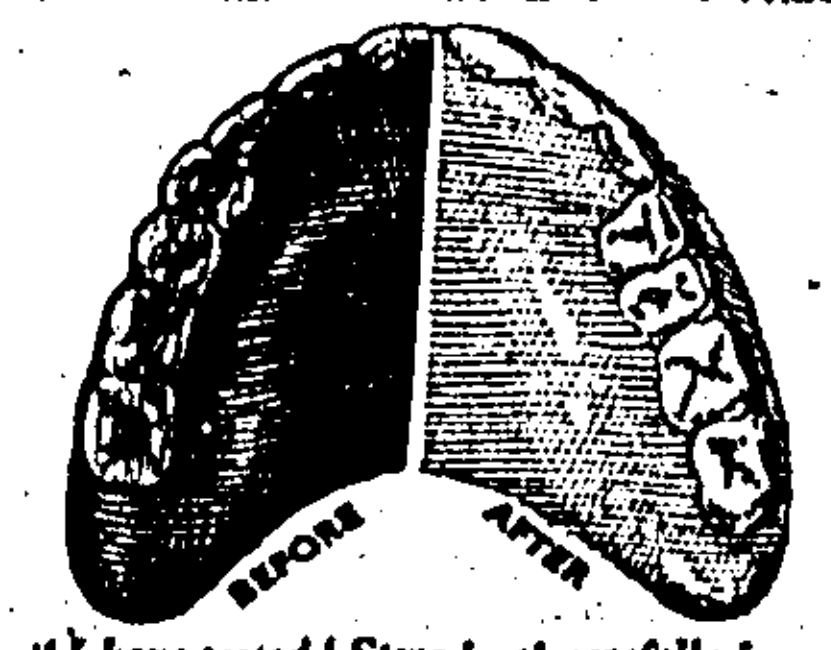
"H.D." showed surprisingly little effect from his gruelling singles match the day before. Except that he was slightly slower on his feet than usual, he was as good as ever. Sirdar took upon himself the duties of retrieving the difficult shots.

There was little to choose between Luk and Wong. Both shone in the volleying duels, but neither was outstanding in ground strokes.

The Rumjahns will now meet the Tsui brothers in the final.

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£70,000 SPENT IN A WEEK OF BIG TRANSFER RUSH

Luton And Chelsea Fail In Bids For Brentford Forwards

By Arbiter (Frank M. Caruthers)

Stricken with fear as to the fate which may befall them, the clubs are pouring out their money on new players. It is a safe estimate that during the past week they have spent over £70,000. The amount, too, is likely to be substantially increased before midnight to-day, when all transfers for the purpose of this season will cease.

There was tremendous activity yesterday. In their state of anxiety Huddersfield hurried to Scotland and persuaded Aberdeen to let them have Mills, the inside left. The fee is not likely to have been less than £6,000.

It is about two years ago when Mills, a player of the build of David Jack, first attracted attention, and the Aberdeen directors refused to consider a succession of offers by English clubs; but Huddersfield stepped in at the right moment.

Liverpool, who are just as critically situated as Huddersfield, also went to Scotland and secured James Melnes, the Third Lanark left half. It is said that he cost them £5,000. Melnes is a university student, and there is a clause in his contract that he must be allowed to continue his studies at Liverpool University.

PLAYER SAID "NO"

But there were more disappointments than successes in the day's work.

Luton, I understand, made their record bid for Scott, the Brentford forward, but when the terms had been agreed between the clubs the player, as in the case of Holliday a short time ago, refused to move.

Since they transferred Payne, Luton urgently require an inside forward, and they have other irons in the fire. Last night a director of the club left for Newcastle and it is expected that he will sign on Connolly to-day. In this case, too, the fee has been fixed.

Chelsea's first approach for an outside left was for Osman of Southampton, but they were at once informed that the player would not be transferred. I believe the Arsenal received the same reply.

Mr. Leslie Knighton, the Chelsea manager, went to Belfast last night, having previously sounded Brentford as to the possibility of their releasing Reid, their Scottish international wing forward. I am told that there is no chance of this transfer taking place.

KEPT IN GAME

This flow of money is of course only from club to club. It remains within the game. This was the wise precaution taken by the originators of the transfer system. They foresaw the danger of allowing players to be bought and sold for money-making purposes.

I think, too, that the money which has been spent has been provided by the clubs out of their own reserves instead, as has too often been the case, of being obtained on loan.

This reflects the prosperity of the game. I believe the clubs to be more prosperous to-day than ever before. It is a time only of big gates but of big profits.

Soaring transfer fees, in fact, enable clubs to become rich with the speed of the successful speculator. Sunderland, for instance, have received about £12,000 from fees for McNab, McDowall, and Clark, and with all the money they have earned through the Cup their profit for the season may amount to as much as

£25,000. I believe that would be a record for a provincial club.

THE NEW IDEA

I am told that when the transfer system was planned the fee was intended simply to compensate a club for the loss of a player.

This may still be the principle, but commercialism has gone so far in the game that a few years hence the system is likely to be developed as a business. It has, too, most attractive possibilities.

The way in which it may be done has already been shown. Instead of maintaining a staff of about 30 players clubs will engage three or four times this number and put them out for development among junior teams. From this array of talent they will satisfy their own needs and beyond this dispose of those who remain.

A TRICKY POINT

I saw an unusual incident involving a point of law in the Coventry City-Aston Villa match.

A free kick had been awarded the Villa. As it was about to be taken a Villa man pushed away with both hands an opponent covering him. It was a foul beyond all doubt. How should it have been dealt with—by cancelling the first free kick and instead giving one to Coventry City?

The referee admonished the offending Villa player and ordered the original free kick to be taken. I think the decision was correct.

This is confirmed by an official ruling some time ago. In this case the query concerned a goal kick and a foul by a defending player in the penalty area.

The question was: Should a penalty kick be awarded? The official answer was: "The offending player should be admonished and the goal kick then taken."

OUR GUIDE TO THE CINEMAS

"Double Wedding" (King's Theatre, to-day).—This picture does not make sense for a single instant, but who cares about sense anyway when we have two favourites like William Powell and Myrna Loy back with us again? There is a faint suggestion of grown-ups dressing up and playing a rowdy game to amuse us, but it is good, rough fun and guaranteed to be entertaining. All the ingredients of a good comedy, including word-slinging and face-slapping, have been incorporated. It is a swell film.

"Mad About Music" (Queen's Theatre, to-day).—The little girl who became Hongkong's most popular film star, is back once more in a picture calculated to charm and captivate all who see it. In this film, she gives further evidence of her wonderful personality. A fine supporting cast which includes Herbert Marshall, Gail Patrick, Arthur Treacher, and William Frawley help the show along.

"Ever Since Eve" (Alhambra Theatre, to-day).—Return of one of the best comedies shown on the local screen recently. Robert Montgomery and Marion Davies are the chief characters, but others like Frank McHugh, Patsy Kelly and Allen Jenkins also provide their quota of laughs.

"Fight for Your Lady" (Oriental Theatre, to-day).—Jack Oakie nowadays is a guarantee by himself of a good show. Here he has John Boles, Ida Lupino and Margot Graham to help him.

"Married Before Breakfast" (Majestic Theatre, to-day).—A crazy picture but quite an entertaining one. It starts and ends at a breakfast pace. Robert Young and Florence Rice are featured. Myrna, Roby and Harry are an added attraction on the stage.

CAMERONIAN NEEDS TO BE WATCHED

(Continued from Page 8.)

lbs. and it must be borne in mind that the steed was not hard pressed to do it. However, we shall all know more of Cameronian before the laddle is sent out to graze, but in the meantime keep an eye on this boy gelding. It was a coincidence that the last Chinese owner to win the St. George's Plate was Mr. Eu Tong-see in 1935, and Cameronian has given to the owner three beautiful souvenirs, the American Club Cup, the Lusitano Cup and the St. George's Plate.



Sidney Barnes, shown above, the New South Wales all-rounder and "baby" of the Australian cricket team now in England, has had the misfortune to injure his wrist on board ship while indulging in acrobatics. His wrist is now being X-rayed as a break is feared.

THREAT TO INTRODUCE PROFESSIONAL RUGBY TO SWANSEA

(By Geoffrey Simpson)

London, Mar. 16.

A threat to introduce professional Rugby League football in Swansea, which for fifty years or more has been a stronghold of amateur Rugby, is being made by an influential committee of the town's business men.

This is their reply to the Welsh Rugby Union's proposal not to use the famous St. Helen's ground, Swansea, for further international matches, but to convert Cardiff Arms Park into a Welsh Twickenham.

Swansea's business men are just as much upset by the threatened breakaway from Swansea as are the town's Rugby followers. The committee which has been formed has told the Welsh Union that international matches bring big business to Swansea. Hotels, restaurants, the brewers, and many others all benefit.

Swansea cannot afford the loss of revenue which is brought into the town by thousands of visitors on international match days. The committee has therefore warned the Welsh R.U. that if the amateur game deserts Swansea they will be bound to support the introduction of the Rugby League code.

CLOSING THE GAP

The St. Helen's ground is regularly used by the Swansea Rugby club, but so poor is the support given to it that it is more a liability than an asset to the town. The Swansea club, in fact, is over £6,000 in debt, and a great amount of that is owing to the Swansea Corporation, owners of the ground.

Minus the compensation of international games, the Corporation will have to think seriously about granting further support to the Swansea club.

That is where the business men's committee mean to step in with their proposal to start a Rugby League team. They claim that visits from such professional clubs as Hull, Leeds, and Wigan, plus international games with England and France, will close the gap created by the withdrawal of amateur internationals.

HARD PRESSED

It would be sad indeed if the Swansea Rugby club with its fine

traditions, were forced to shut down. Why cannot they pay their way? They used to be a flourishing concern.

It will not compensate them to know that many other Rugby clubs are similarly hard pressed. The position, as I have remarked before, is serious, yet all suggestions for brightening up the game, for ridding it of some of its many stoppages and irritating infringements, are smiled at by those in authority.

Well—people used to laugh at the brighter cricket campaigners, but judging from recent official moves it looks as if those who so persistently cried out for reforms were right.

Starting Times Announced Golf At Fanling On Sunday

OLD COURSE

- 9.00 H. E. the Governor.
- 9.10 B. H. Dodwell, K. S. Morrison.
- 9.20 S. Laidlaw, J. W. Mayhew.
- 9.30 H. G. Gray, I. P. Tanworth.
- 9.40 J. A. Sherry, W. J. Gordon.
- 9.50 J. H. Fox, J. H. M. Andrew.
- 10.00 P. B. Havens, C. A. King.
- 10.10 R. S. W. Paterson, A. D. Purves.
- 10.20 J. D. Danby, J. G. Cotterworth.
- 10.30 A. E. Lissaman, E. T. McMullen.
- 10.40 Capt. Holmes, W. N. A. Smalley.
- 10.50 E. Nelson, L. J. Fielden.
- 11.00 A. D. Humphreys, J. L. Gear.
- 11.10 A. T. Lay, G. C. Worral.
- 11.20 J. E. Campbell, A. H. McBride.
- 11.30 J. Pettie, R. Stock.
- 11.40 J. D. H. Leckie, D. Humphreys.
- 11.50 A. Pearce, O. C. C. Marton.
- 12.00 N. D. Lloyd, R. Cramer.
- 12.10 G. Leighton, P. S. Delany.
- 12.20 Mrs. F. Mackenzie, H. Overy.
- 12.30 J. T. Brown, P. Jackson.

NEW COURSE

- 9.52 Mrs. Holmes, Mrs. Smalley.
 - 10.02 Mrs. Leighton, Mrs. Delany.
 - 10.12 Mrs. Mackenzie, Mrs. Overy.
- The following teams have been selected to represent the Kowloon Bowling Green Club in a friendly bowls match against Cruttenhower Cricket Club at Happy Valley tomorrow:
- R. P. Phillips, A. Macfarlane, A. Hyde Lay, C. B. Hosking (Skip).
 - John Watson, S. M. White, E. W. Lines, R. Duncan (Skip); D. W. Waterton, A. J. Hall, J. S. Logan, C. E. F. Thompson (Skip); E. V. Searle, G. C. Norman, K. C. Hamilton, J. G. Meyer (Skip); H. Cooper, C. Wallis, T. Armstrong, W. S. Drake (Skip).

SCHOOL SPORTS

The annual athletic sports of the Wah Yan College, Kowloon, will be held at the Kowloon F. C. on Thursday, April 28, commencing at 1 p.m. V. Rev. Fr. R. W. Gallagher, Ph.D., S.J., has kindly consented to give away the prizes.

Baseball

Giants Win But Yankees Just Beaten

Phillies Blanked By Dodgers

New York, Apr. 21.

While the New York Giants just managed to nose out the Boston Braves in the National Baseball League, the New York Yankees were beaten by the Boston Red Sox in the American League in spite of the fact that they collected 13 hits against their opponents' three.

Fine pitching by Pressnell enabled the Brooklyn Dodgers to blank out the Philadelphia Phillies. Cincinnati Reds had six runs from 13 hits against the Chicago Cubs' two from four. The Pittsburgh Pirates had a close tussle with the St. Louis Cardinals and finally won by 6-5.

Though out-hitting the Detroit Tigers by 9-8, the Chicago White Sox had to bow to defeat by 9-3, and the Cleveland Indians "pipped" the St. Louis Browns by 4-3.

Scores:

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
	R.	H.	E.
Boston	2	8	0
New York	3	6	2
Cincinnati	6	13	2
Chicago	2	4	1
St. Louis	5	11	2
Brooklyn	9	15	0
Philadelphia	0	9	0
(Pressnell pitched for the Dodgers).			
Chicago	2	4	1
Cincinnati	6	13	2
(O'Dea homered for the Chicago Cubs and Kampouris for the Reds).			
Pittsburgh	6	15	1
St. Louis	5	11	2
AMERICAN LEAGUE			
New York	2	13	0
Boston	3	3	0
Detroit	9	8	3
Chicago	3	9	0
(Greenberg homered for the Tigers).			
St. Louis	3	6	1
Cleveland	4	11	3
(Heath homered for the Browns).			

—Reuter.

FIELDSMAN'S PRIZE A BENEFIT TO GAME

London.

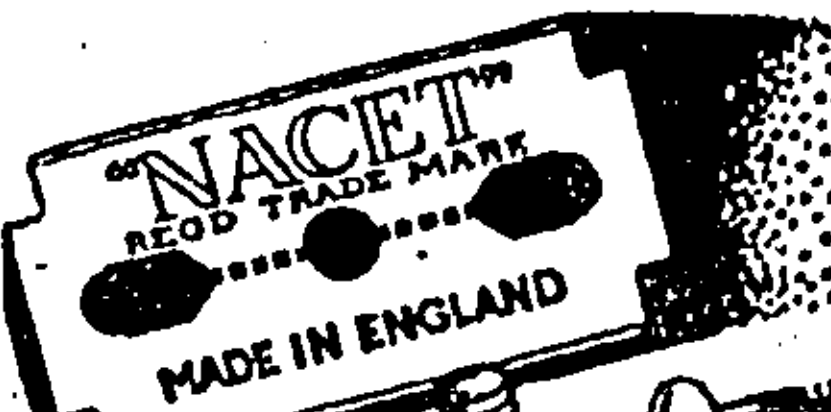
A prize for the best fieldman in cricket has been awarded for several seasons now by the Hartshead Moor C.C. in Yorkshire, with great benefit to their cricket.

Their system is to hand a card and envelope to the umpire, or a spectator with some knowledge of the game. He is invited to write on the card after the game the name of the smartest fieldman. The votes are then sealed and kept until the end of the season, when they are counted and the prize awarded.

The idea is worth copying, as a means of encouraging the often neglected art of fielding, which can, and often does, win matches.—Reuter.



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SPARE MOMENT PAGE

THEY WON'T FORGET

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THE STORY SO FAR: Mary Clay, pupil of a business college is murdered—suspicion falls on her teacher Robert Hale—The District Attorney, Griffin, has him locked up for further questioning—while reporters and camera-men distress his wife and spread false stories which the town takes up.

Chapter III

WHEN A MAN IS DOWN

"But these things they print about us in the papers—I never said them—they're lies!"

Sybil Hale, wife of the young teacher who was imprisoned for further questioning in the murder of Mary Clay—had elbowed her way through angry crowds for feeling that she was running higher by the minute. Sybil did not fear for herself and at last got into the office of Andrew J. Griffin, the District Attorney. She was standing before his desk, pallid and trembling with emotion. Griffin eyed her coldly.

"I'm not prosecuting your husband because of what I read in the papers. I'm prosecuting him because I believe he is guilty."

"But he couldn't be—not Robert Hale—he couldn't! You've got to let him go!"

"I wouldn't let my own father go in the face of these facts."

"Facts, Mr. Griffin? What facts have you got outside of a lot of vicious lies that the papers have spread?"

"These, Mrs. Hale. The murder was committed in the building where the murder was committed. That he did like Mary Clay."

"That's not true!"

"That there was blood on his coat—and that he did plan to run away. These Mrs. Hale, are my facts!"

Sybil was silent before him. At length she asked pathetically, "Well, at least you can let me see him?"

The Prosecuting Attorney seemed to ponder for a moment, then he answered softly, "All right. I'll let you see him, and pressed the button on his desk."

Sybil followed the turnkey down the cell block, oblivious to the peering eyes of the prisoners, her drawn face mirroring the struggle between doubt and faith that was going on within her. As the jailor's key clanked in the turning lock she saw her husband's face through the bars of the cell. "Five minutes, Mrs. Hale," said the guard and went away.

Sybil went toward Robert and they stood for a moment staring into each other's eyes. Hale was first to break the silence. His voice seemed far away.

"It's hard to believe, isn't it—that one day can make so much difference in two people's lives—just one day?"

"It's seemed like a lifetime—a horrible lifetime—"

"I kept hoping that you'd come—I tried to tell you to see you—they wouldn't let me—they—"

Sybil sobbed wildly, she threw herself in his arms.

"Don't talk—now—" he whispered, holding her close.

"It's so good to be together again—" she sighed, "to be in your arms—to be able to talk to you—to kiss you—even if it is only for a few minutes."

"A few minutes—yes—yes—" he said, as one speaking in a dream, "that's all that's left—soon they'll even take that away from us—"

Sybil raised her head and looked into his face. "You mustn't talk like that, darling," she said with feigned courage, "They can't hold you here much longer—in a few days you'll be free—we'll go away like we planned—we'll forget all this—we'll be happy—"

He drew her down beside him and they sat on edge of the iron bed.

"Oh, Sybil, what's the use of shutting our eyes to the truth. Dreams won't help—I'll—I'll never leave here—alive—"

"Robert!"

Holding her in his arms, he stared beyond her like one in a trance.

"Know, I tell you, Sybil, I know!" he spoke with strange calm. "I've known it from the moment they took me away from them. There isn't a chance for me—they want a victim—and I'm it! Even the other prisoners here hate me—if it weren't for the guards they'd kill me with their bare hands—"

"No, Robert—no—no!" Her whispered words were cries.

"It's not that I'm afraid to die—no man's afraid to die if in his

death there's rhyme or reason—but in this there's none—it's just stupid and senseless—"

"You'll live, Robert—you'll live," Sybil whispered passionately, pressing closer to him, "They won't convict you—you're innocent!"

"That won't make any difference to them—"

"It will if we prove it?"

"How?"

"We'll get lawyers."

"Well, what?" There was a tinge of bitterness in his voice, "with the two hundred dollars we've saved?"

"I'll write to your parents—maybe they'll help."

"No—they can't—they haven't even enough for themselves."

"He dropped his arms from about her and turned away. "Well, what's the use—we've no one to turn to—it's all over—"

"Darling, please—listen to me—you mustn't feel that way—for my sake—for your own—it's not over—"

"Her words were like a prayer, 'Somewhere—somewhere—there must be someone who'll help—'

"Time's up," said the turnkey.

"Now look, Andy. We don't want any risk. You know what a powder keg we're sitting on—unemployment—thousands on the dole—idleness—Look at that crowd down there! Ugly mood, Andy—and getting uglier! Why, man, any spark will set them off!"

A committee of representative citizens was calling on District Attorney Griffin to protest against his delay in the prosecution of the alleged killer of Mary Clay. The angry murmurs of the crowd came to them from the Court House Yard.

"Gentlemen!" Griffin removed the cigar from his mouth and fixed the bigwigs of the town with a beady glare. "I'm not concerned with the temperance or the temper of the public. I'm concerned with a duty to the public. There's been a murder. The public expects me to see that justice is done!"

"But, Mr. Griffin," began Whipple the banker, nervously, "we're only saying that the duties of your office do not require you to excite the public! The town's in a ferment!"

"Well, what do you want me to do about it?"

"Make sure you're proceeding against the guilty man!"

"I have made sure—so sure that I'll stake my reputation on it!" He paused for a moment scanning the disturbed faces of his visitors, then added sarcastically, "You gentlemen don't think that amounts to much, do you?"

"That's beside the point, Andy," said Shail of the Star. "We're only interested in what happens to the community!"

"You mean, Mr. Shail, the property you own in this community?"

An awkward silence ensued which the District Attorney abruptly broke. "You want my answer—gentlemen? Here it is!"

There was a general reaction of resentment, mingled with uneasiness, as Griffin addressed each of his critics individually.

"You should have thought of this, Mr. Mimms and Mr. Doughty, when you started splashing front page headlines in the papers you own—before you either knew or cared whether Hale was guilty or not!"

From below rose a hoarse voice, "Law or no law—I'll kill him—I will, I tell ya, I will!" The words faded in the roar of the crowd. It was one of the three gaunt brothers of the murdered girl. All the men in Griffin's office knew the voice, but no one spoke. The District Attorney went on with growing intensity.

"You, Mr. Whipple, the leading banker in this town—the man who spoke with strange calm—should have thought of all this when you came out with a statement—that in your opinion Hale was the guilty man!"

"And you, Mr. Piggot—the leading merchant in this town—should have thought of all this when you announced that if I couldn't solve this crime—you would see to it that a man was placed in office who—"

(To Be Concluded)

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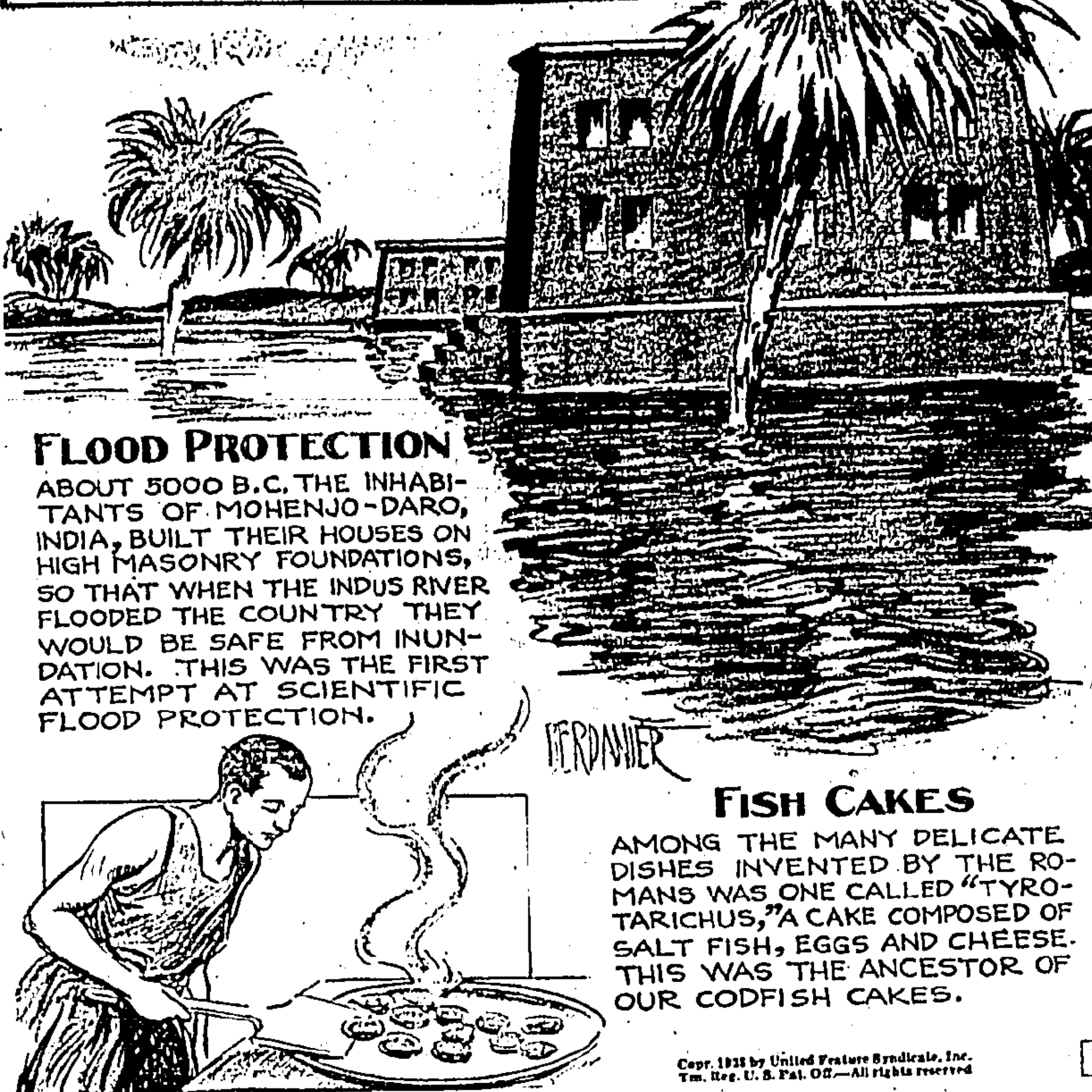
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We Visit Rugby—The School Of Tom Brown And The Great Arnold

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ON the long platforms of the Rugby L. M. S. station there is always a desperate race for porters' barrows. On the first evening of term, boys in trilby hats and blue great coats toil up and down with golf clubs on their backs and trunks in the barrows in front of them. It is a stimulating but alarming entrance into that hectic progression from rag to sixth form boy.

The first abyss which confronts of the first Rugger XV striding to many. Laymen like myself never failed to visit the annual art exhibition and to be deeply impressed by its variety and skill.

But, for me, music was, of course, the best thing about Rugby. I believe it has the reputation of teaching music better than any other public school. We had admirable voluntary concerts all through the year, an orchestra of our own, an excellent O. T. C. band, and a highly trained chapel choir.

There is a great deal to look back on with no other sentiment than gratitude that it is all over: early morning school, the dreary chapel services, and the "clique-ism" which pervaded the whole school. Yet now I see that Rugby is undoubtedly one of the most intelligent and benevolent of the public schools. I can still hear Beethoven's "Eroica" played beautifully one winter night in New Big School to a full house of silent, enthusiastic school boys.

Yet the Sixth system did something to counteract this tendency, and looking back on it I see that it was as good a system as could have been devised. It is wiser to reward industry and intelligence with responsibility than to allow the house master to choose his prefects arbitrarily from among the "leading members of the house."

Fagging at Rugby was never much of a burden. Each Sixth had two or three fags who cleaned out his study on Sundays and polished the buttons on his O. T. C. uniform before parade. But etiquette demanded a handsome donation for their services and I can remember nobody who objected strongly to the system. We automatically ceased to be fags in our fifth term, or before that if we reached the School Certificate form. Thus academic achievement was also rewarded at the bottom of the scale.

The only pernicious aspect of the fagging system which existed in my day has recently been abolished. This was the sixth form privilege of "fag calls."

A yell of "Fa-a-a-g!" from a Sixth would bring a pack of wretched little boys scurrying down the passages, and the last to arrive would have to do the job. This made consistent work impossible and turned the house into a bear-garden. Its abolition is greatly to the credit of the school.

If there are too few intellectuals in a house to provide it with a disciplinary quorum, then Sixth Power may be chosen by the house master. But their jurisdiction never extends outside their own house. Games snobbery is as much a danger at Rugby as at any other public school. Watching members quietly put into effect.

One of the few unique features of Rugby School is the Sixth system. This plan was formulated by Arnold, Rugby's greatest headmaster, and virtually the founder of the public school system in its modern form, for rewarding academic endeavour, and giving the clever boys a sense of responsibility. As soon as a boy gets into the sixth form he automatically becomes a prefect, unless he is under sixteen and a half.

Intellectual Discipline

Another merit of Rugby is that its intellectual discipline is far more strenuous than appears to be the case at many public schools. Super-annuation is a very real threat to danger at Rugby as at any other public school. Watching members quietly put into effect.

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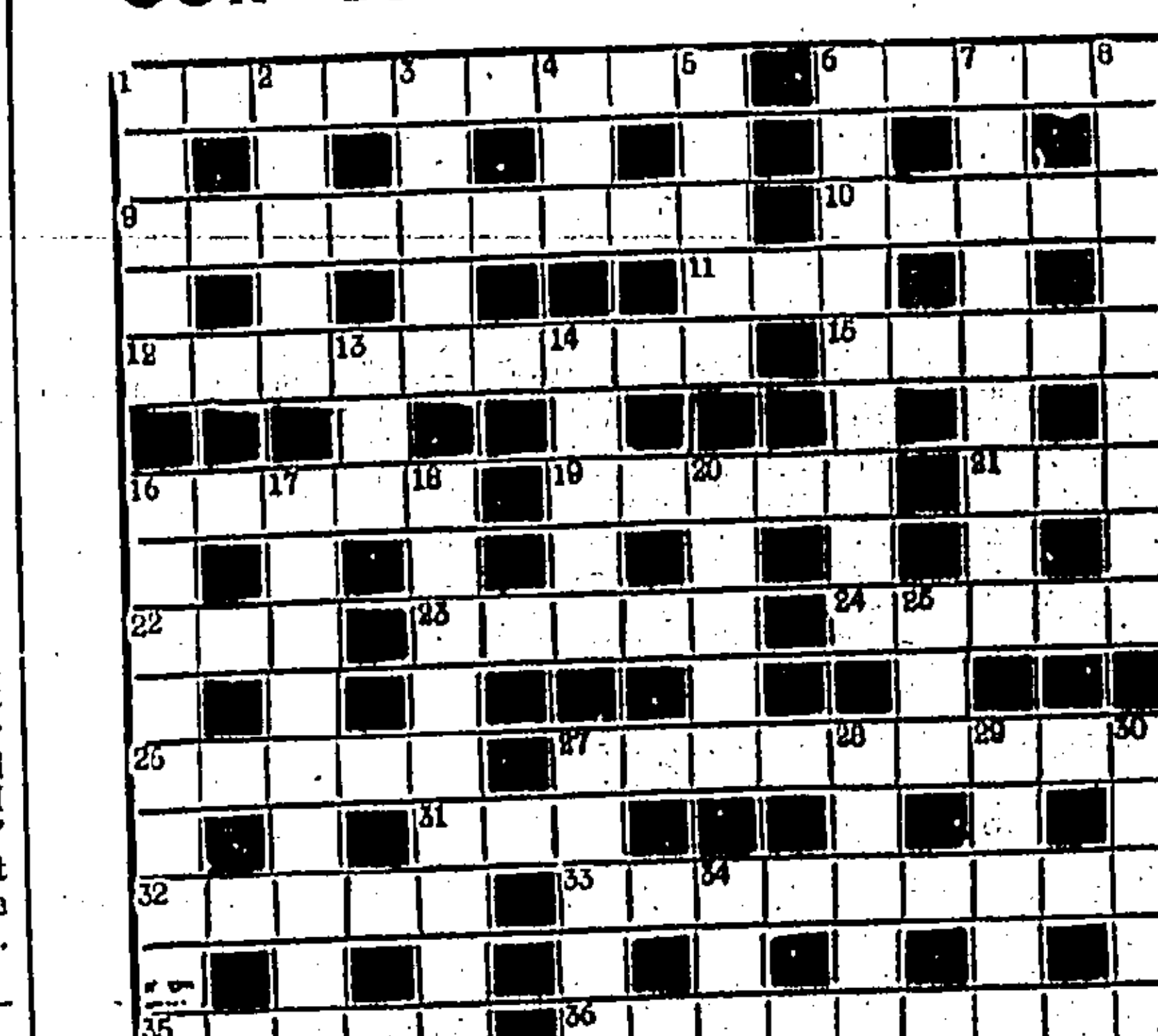
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COUNT THE

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EVERYWHERE

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS



ACROSS

- Oppose by means of a rally apparently (9).
- Town of Italy (5).
- Bearing (9).
- A matter of course in the skies (5).
- China part of London (3).
- "Felt Surly" (anag.) (9).
- Unnecessary instruction to a mean housekeeper (5).
- An early experiment in sweet-making perhaps (5).
- This tree supplies a Dominion emblem (5).
- "For in my youth I never did apply—and rebellious liquor in my blood" ("As You Like It") (3).
- This marks the much used way (3).
- This lot of beasts would be the core of its "comparative" (5).
- Famous actor (5).
- A foreign gentleman (5).
- Let out, this vehicle would be bigger (9).
- Acting being seven—" ("As You Like It") (3).
- This lark is part of the Panama Canal (5).
- Is this fairly an "ingrate"? (9).
- Far from voluble (5).
- American president (9).

DOWN

- This bird and its mate are together useful to anglers (5).
- "Thou art not for the fashion of these—where none will sweet but for promotion" ("As You Like It") (5).
- Often a symbol of office (5).
- Gone by (3).
- English shire (5).
- The look-out heroism should be by black (5).
- "British pile" (anag.) (9).
- What dailies makes a person disobey the "Keep off the Grass" notice? (9).
- One of the farmer's flock (3).
- An unpleasant place for part of the body and nothing more (5).
- Care for the future which helps a muckman (5).
- Part of a bomb perhaps (9).
- A famous explorer's ship (9).
- Song from an ape (5).
- Bird (3).
- A composer of tuneful music (5).
- A flower got up (5).
- Town of France (5).
- A pulchritude (5).
- Sound disapproval (3).

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